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RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR NERVOUSNESS.

Moscow Accuses Japan of Seeking a Pretext

WAR OF THE SPIRITS

TRANCE MEDIUM ACTION

ABSTRUSE POINTS BY JUDGE

GRAVE ISSUES

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Apr. 18.

A large number of abstruse, but striking, points engaged the attention of Mr. Justice McCordie to-day in the course of a long summing-up in the Trance Medium Case.

The case is one in which Mrs. Meurig Morris, the well-known medium, is suing the *Daily Mail* for libel in casting reflections upon the genuineness of her manifestations. The hearing has lasted several days and has now reached the final stages.

Good and Evil.

Mr. Justice McCordie pointed out that while a great deal had been heard in the case about good spirits communicating with living people, a minimum had been heard about evil spirits, which were said to exist.

It seemed to him that if evil spirits could communicate with living people as efficiently as could the good spirits, the jury would see how grave a question was raised by the spiritualist creed.

Central Figure.

The jury, he said, had to decide whether Mrs. Morris, in her sermons, was delivering messages from some disincarnate spirit named Power—who must be regarded as the central figure of the case—or whether she was speaking from memorised sermons or speaking extempore on ideas derived from her early life.

It was a curious feature, His Lordship added, that Power refused to disclose his identity.

His Lordship had not concluded his summing-up when the Court adjourned.

THE MANCHURIAN ADVENTURE

OUTSPOKEN WARNINGS IN NEWSPAPERS

IMMINENT DANGER

Riga, Apr. 18.

GROWING NERVOUSNESS IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES IN MOSCOW IN CONNEXION WITH WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS THE IMMINENT DANGER OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST, IS PLAINLY EVIDENT.

The Soviet newspapers, which are all under Government control, are becoming daily more outspoken regarding the developments in Manchuria, and they warn Japan that though it may be easy to find a pretext for war, it will be disastrous for Japan if she mistakes the Soviet's desire for peace for inability to fight if the necessity arises.

Official circles allege that the Japanese agents in Manchuria are employing the White Guards to carry out terroristic acts and are then accusing Soviet officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway of the commission of these acts. It is alleged, in other words, that Japan is trying to force a quarrel on the Soviet.

The newspaper *Pravda* in the course of a bitter criticism of Japanese activities, says that the Soviet millions are ready to oppose any Japanese attempts to convert parts of Soviet territory into a buffer State.

The journal advises Japan to think well before drawing the Soviet into her Manchurian adventure.

MANY ARRESTS.

It is reported that following the Japanese allegation that Soviet agents were responsible for dynamiting the railway, causing the Japanese troop train disaster last week, wholesale arrests of Soviet officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway have been made in the last few days.

The Soviet Government is aware that these arrests are the sequel to the blowing up of the Japanese troop train and warmly deny that the outrage was carried out at the instigation of the Soviet or by Soviet officials.

TOKYO REPORT.

The Moscow newspapers also publish a report from Tokyo in connexion with the measures taken by the Foreign Commissariat in regard to the Chinese Consul at Blagoveshensk.

The Tokyo message states that a representative of the Japanese Foreign Office interviewed the Tass Agency correspondent and declared: "This measure undoubtedly entirely dissolves suspicions of any connexion between the Soviet and General Ma Chanshan."—*Reuter*.



ASKING FOR TROUBLE

AMERICAN IRISH ON WARPATH

"ENGLAND WILL BACK DOWN"

SEZ MR. FORD

New York, Apr. 18.

An attempt is being made in New York to rally the whole body of Irish-Americans to the cause of Eamon de Valera, in his challenge to Britain.

Mr. Ford, the President of the *Irish World*, a New York newspaper, has appealed to fellow-Irishmen in the United States to organise an Irish Race Convention in New York.

In his article, Mr. Ford declares: "England will back down when she finds that Irish Republicans are determined to hold their own and when she learns that the Irish in America are in every possible way adding Ireland to achieve complete independence."

It will be recalled that a similar Irish Race Convention was held in New York in March, 1916, after a similar appeal by Mr. Ford.

The Easter Week rising in Ireland occurred six weeks later.

The British Ambassador in Berlin has again been instructed to press this viewpoint strongly on the German Government.

The German Government has taken no step to prevent the detention by the Dresden Bank, Berlin, of the remittance, which was made by the City of Budapest and which was in transit to England for the service of the City of Budapest's obligations to British subjects.

British Wireless.



PROTESTS IGNORED

GERMAN SEIZURE OF BRITISH FUNDS

London, Apr. 18.

Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether arrangements had been made for the restoration to British owners of the remittances belonging to them, recently detained in German banks while in transit from Budapest to London, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Captain Eden, stated that the Foreign Secretary was clear that the British bondholders have a very strong claim to the release of those funds.

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MOB ATTACKS ON POLICE

SERIOUS INDIA INCIDENTS

TROOPS OUT AT PESHAWAR

London, Apr. 18.

In a statement circulated in the House of Commons, reviewing the events of last week in India, Sir Samuel Hoare referred to a recrudescence of Red Shirt activities in a part of the Peshawar District, north of the Kabul River, where large crowds made efforts, with considerable success, to interfere with the elections.

The Police had to be reinforced by troops to disperse stone-throwing crowds armed with lathis.

In one instance, the Police were compelled to fire and here the casualties were twelve police injured, two seriously, and one rioter killed. After the poll, the situation quieted.

Despite the special efforts of the National Congress Party to rouse public interest in "National Week", the results were singularly small. A renewal of disturbances occurred in Allahabad, where owing to continued brick and stone throwing, thirty rounds were discharged, two rioters being killed and twenty injured. The situation was controlled within two or three days.

Activity also occurred at Cawnpore but improved quickly when the Police were reinforced, and in Bombay National Week proved almost a complete failure. Elsewhere throughout India, the effects of National Week were negligible and in several provinces, concludes the statement report, it passed almost unnoticed.

British Wireless.

TOKYO MUNITION EXPLOSION

FIFTY HOUSES WRECKED

Tokyo, Apr. 19, 10.42 a.m.

A number of persons were injured, fifty houses were partially wrecked, and the whole neighbourhood was thrown into confusion and partial panic this morning when an army ammunition store on the outskirts of Tokyo blew up.

The explosion was terrific and it was a wonder that the damage was not greater. The cause is not definitely known, but it appears to have been due to spontaneous combustion.—*Reuter*.

WOMAN LEADING REBEL FORCE

Harbin, Apr. 19.

It is reported that a young Chinese woman, a graduate of a Communist Military Academy, has arrived from the U.S.S.R. in order to take the position of Chief of the Partisan Detachment, with headquarters at Hengtaohotze.

The old Kirin Army, supported by an armoured train, commenced to advance on Harbin from Shihiaohotze this morning.

Government troops pulled up the railway track near Weishaho, but the track was repaired by the railway authorities. All traffic on the line has been interrupted for nine hours.—*Reuter*.

REGULATING PIG IMPORTS

COMMISSION TO BE SET UP

London, Apr. 18.

The Minister of Agriculture, Sir John Gilmour, announced in the House of Commons to-day that two reorganisation commissions are to be set up for the agricultural industry—one for milk and milk products, and the other for pigs and pig products.

Sir Edward Grigg will preside over the first and Colonel Lane Fox over the second, which, *inter alia*, will consider the quantitative regulation of imports of pigs and bacon.—*British Wireless*.

NEW INDIAN GOVERNOR

SIR R. GRIFFITHS INSTALLED

London, Apr. 18.

The Viceroy of India, Lord Willingdon, who flew to Peshawar from Delhi last week, to-day formally installed Sir Ralph Griffiths as first Governor of the North West Frontier Province.

A talking film was taken of the ceremony.—*British Wireless*.

KING'S GODSON MARRIED

THEIR MAJESTIES ATTEND

London, Apr. 18.

The King and Queen to-day attended the wedding at Westminster Abbey of Lord Hyde, the King's godson and heir of the Earl of Clarendon, and the Hon. Marion Glyn, daughter of Lord and Lady Wolverton.

Their Majesties, who signed the marriage register, were loudly cheered by a large crowd outside the Abbey.

Lord Clarendon, who is the Governor-General of South Africa, was unable to leave his official duties but Lady Clarendon travelled from Cape Town to see her son married.

The King and Queen specially drove up from Windsor Castle to attend the ceremony.—*British Wireless and Reuter*.

RELIGIOUS RIOT AT CALCUTTA

HINDU-MOSLEM OUTBREAK

Calcutta, Apr. 18.

The discovery of a dead pig outside the Mosque of Nahati, near Calcutta, was followed by a serious outbreak of communal rioting, in the course of which one man was killed, and 22 injured.

The police made thirty-seven arrests before the disorders were quelled.

The trouble appears to have originated in the refusal of a Hindu landlord to allow his Moslem tenants to sacrifice a cow during the Moslem festival, Bakrid.—*Reuter*.

CHANGE FOR BETTER

SHANGHAI PEACE OUTLOOK

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Apr. 19.

While it would be dangerous to jump to conclusions about the peace prospects, the outlook would seem to be brighter to-day than it was, for instance, yesterday.

Mr. Samuel Chang, the Director of the Intelligence and Publicity Department of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, has notified Sir Miles Lampson and Mr. Shigemitsu that Mr. Quo Tai-chi is due to return to Shanghai from Nanking, probably to-day.

Ready To Resume.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi will be ready, says Mr. Chang, to resume the negotiations with the Japanese for cessation of hostilities and the withdrawal of the Japanese forces into the International Settlement.

Sir Miles Lampson has instructed that M. Wilden, the French Minister, and Count Clano, the Italian Charge d'Affaires be informed to this effect.

Hopeful Indications.

It is believed that the Nanking Government has received from Dr. W. W. Yen at Geneva, cables giving hopeful indications regarding the solution of the Shanghai peace problem.

Italian Ships Recalled.

Rome, Apr. 18.

Owing to the improved situation in Shanghai, Signor Mussolini has ordered the cruiser Trento and the destroyer Espero to return home.—*Reuter*.

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LARGEST BID EVER MADE IN ENGLAND

London, Apr. 18.

Art experts from Europe and America were present at Lambton Castle, Durham, when many world famous works of art from the collection of Lord Durham were auctioned to-day.

Lawrence's portrait, "Red Boy," was withdrawn at £26,000, the largest bid ever made for a picture in England thus being refused.—*British Wireless*.

NO MORATORIUM EXTENSION

ELECTION TOO NEAR FOR HOOVER

Washington, Apr. 18.

Government circles indicate that they do not expect President Hoover to initiate another moratorium when the present period of grace expires on June 30.

The statement follows the outcry of the anti-debt revisionists and may be designed to avert further attacks until the public reaction to the recent suggestions of Mr. A. I. Smith and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, the latter having always been a strong advocate of cancellation.—*Reuter*.

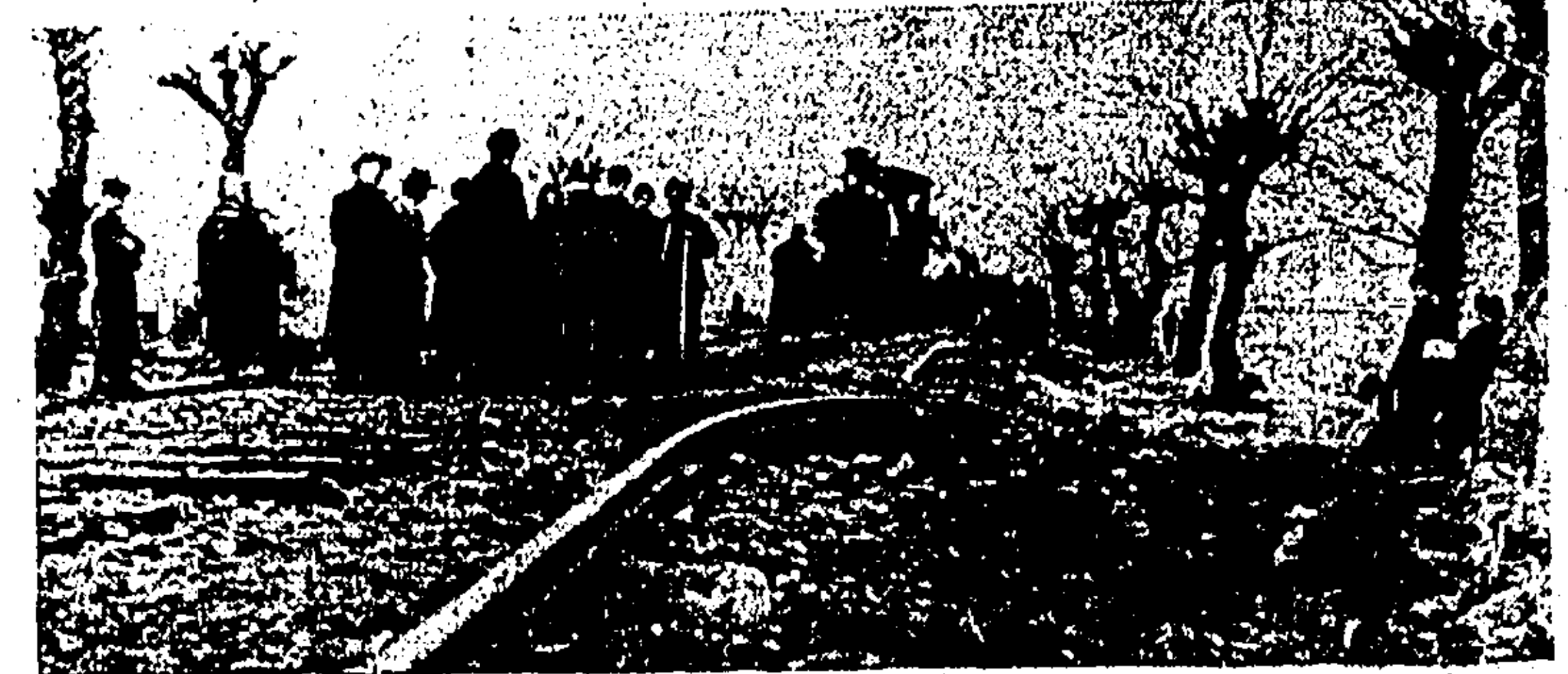
AUTOGIRO TO FLY TO CAPE

BRITISH AIRMAN'S PROJECT

London, Apr. 18.

Mr. J. N. Yung, an ex-Air Force pilot, intends shortly to fly to South Africa in an autogiro machine. This will be the first long distance autogiro flight and as the machine is designed for safety and not speed he is not attempting any records.

He thinks that as it is able to dispense with large landing grounds the Autogiro is specially suitable for undeveloped country.—*British Wireless*.



Tracks on the Chinese Eastern Railway torn up. The incident is becoming increasingly common. The Soviet alleges that Japan is stage-managing the interference in order to provoke an incident. Japan declares that the reverse truly represents the facts.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE.

By W. E. McKenney,

Secretary, American Bridge
League.

A following bid is one made
after an original bid has been made
by one of the opponents and is
often termed a defensive bid. It
shows one and one-half to two and
one-half quick tricks.

If your right hand opponent is
the dealer and opens the bidding,
you should overcall if you hold at
least a biddable four card suit and
one and one-half to two and one-
half quick tricks. If your suit is
a good biddable five-card suit, the
total quick trick requirement of
your hand need not be over one and
one-half quick tricks, or if you are
able to overcall the opponents' original
bid with a bid of one you can do
so with a four-card biddable suit
and one and one-half quick tricks.
But if you are forced to overcall
with a two bid and have only a
four card suit, your quick trick re-
quirement is two tricks.

If partner was the dealer and
passed, and then your right hand
opponent opened the bidding with
a suit, you must remember that
your partner has denied holding
two and one-half quick tricks and
therefore you should hold at least
two to two and one-half quick
tricks to make an overcall. Other-
wise you may get doubled and set
for a large penalty, or you may
force the opponents into a game-
going declaration. Remember that
if you hold only one and one-half
quick tricks and partner has passed,
there cannot be over three and
one-half quick tricks in your two
hands and it is quite probable that
your opponents have a game-going
declaration.

When opponents open with a
suit that you have stopped twice
and you hold two quick tricks and
no biddable suit of your own, you
should overcall with one no trump.
While the writer advocates a no
trump overcall with definite quick
trick requirements and a strong
informational double, this will be ex-
plained to you in later articles. At
the present time we are dealing
strictly with the straight forcing
system.

In supporting partner's overcall
or following bid, remember that he
may be bidding on a hand a great
deal weaker than is required for an
original bid, therefore you
should hold one more trick to
support partner than is necessary
to support an original bid.

Informational Doubles.

When your right hand opponent
makes an original bid of one and
your hand contains from three to
three and one-half quick tricks,
you should make an informational
double even though you may hold
a biddable suit. This shows part-
ner a strong hand and even though
the hand is trickless, he is required
to take this double out if the left
hand opponent passes. However,
if partner can count on your in-
formational double containing three
to three and one-half quick tricks,
he, with a strong hand, can pass,
thereby turning the informational
double into a business double
which may be the means of collect-
ing large penalties.

While most authorities agree
that all doubles of original no
trump or suit bids of one and
original suit bids of two are in-
formational, there is some disagree-
ment on doubles of original suit
bids of three. But if you use
the high trick requirement as out-
lined above, partner can easily
use his own judgment on doubles
of three.

All doubles of two no trump are
business doubles.

Partner shall respond to in-
formational doubles as follows:

Holding one stopper in the suit
doubled and at least one quick
trick and no biddable suit, the
correct response is one no trump.

Holding no stopper in the suit
doubled and no biddable four-card

THE MONTESSORI SYSTEM.

FATHER BYRNE'S LECTURE
AT UNIVERSITY.

A most informative address on
Dr. Montessori's pioneer work in
educative reform was delivered
last night by Father G. Byrne, S. J.,
to a gathering of the University
Education Society.

Father Byrne entitled his lecture
"A lady doctor opens the class-
room windows." He said:

Some years ago, at a meeting of
the National Association of School-
masters in England, a resolution
was passed that all boys over seven
should be taught exclusively by
men. In the discussion on the motion
someone appealed to the brutal
statistics: it was impossible; there
were not enough men teachers to
do it. I do not remember the de-
tails of the discussion, but I am
sure that an examination of wo-
man's energetic work in educational
reform was not in the forefront.
Yet, it ought to have been.

It is much easier to discover the
pioneer in the realm of execution
than in the realm of thought. There
are few ideas in the educa-
tional world, which we are inclined
to call modern, that have not been
enunciated long ago. We talk
about education of the senses, about
self-activity as if they were new
ideas. In the thirteenth century St.
Thomas Aquinas, in a treatise *On
The Teacher*, insists on the teacher's
knowledge of the mental
processes, the functions of the
senses, emotions, feelings to assist
the pupil in the unfolding of his
young powers, for learning is
"growth in self-activity." It is no
mere imparting; it is rather sug-
gestion and direction, by which the
mind is prompted to exert its nat-
ural power in the normal ways.

Senses, imagination, memory co-
operate. Indeed they account for
individual differences in mental
capacity. Vigour of mind cor-
responds to soundness of body, so
that the healthier organism ensures
superior intellectual attainment.

"There is a very modern ring about
these words. We may find similar
ideas repeated by Locke in his
Thoughts Concerning Education,
or in Rousseau's *Emile*. But,
somehow, when we enter the class-
rooms, we find them heavy with the
hot air of theory and we begin to
wish that some practical teacher
would open the windows! It is
just here that a woman has often
come to the rescue and made us
realise that when an idea, whether
political or religious, goes down
from the mind of man to the heart
of a woman, and becomes a senti-
ment—thought inspired by feeling—
its power to resist all opposition
and to triumph over every difficulty,
is increased a hundredfold. Is not
this the reason that Rousseau says
in *Emile* 'Men will always be what
women wish them to be'?"

One would like to be able to trace
the work of women like St. Lioba,
Thecla, Walburga of the 8th cen-
tury, or of Dodana, Odilia, Hilde-
garde bringing us up to the 12th,
and compare it with the efforts of
more recent women, like Mary
Lyon whose courage triumphed
over the public ridicule of what
the press termed her "rib-factory"
and made people realise that
(Continued on Page 11.)

major suit, the best suit in the
hand must be bid.
With two quick tricks and a
major suit containing at least king
jack x x a jump bid should be
made to show partner that your
hand does contain some high card
tricks. While this jump bid is
not a forcing bid on partner, it
does show him definite high card
tricks in your hand, and he may
either show - his suit or support
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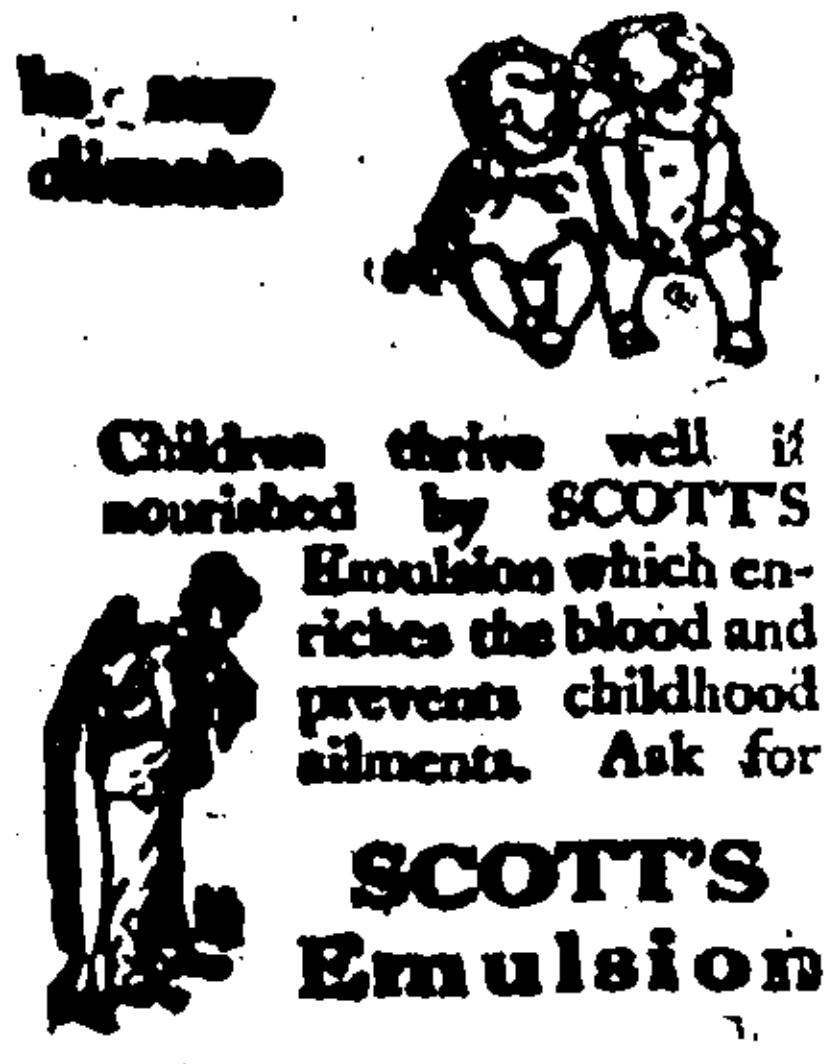
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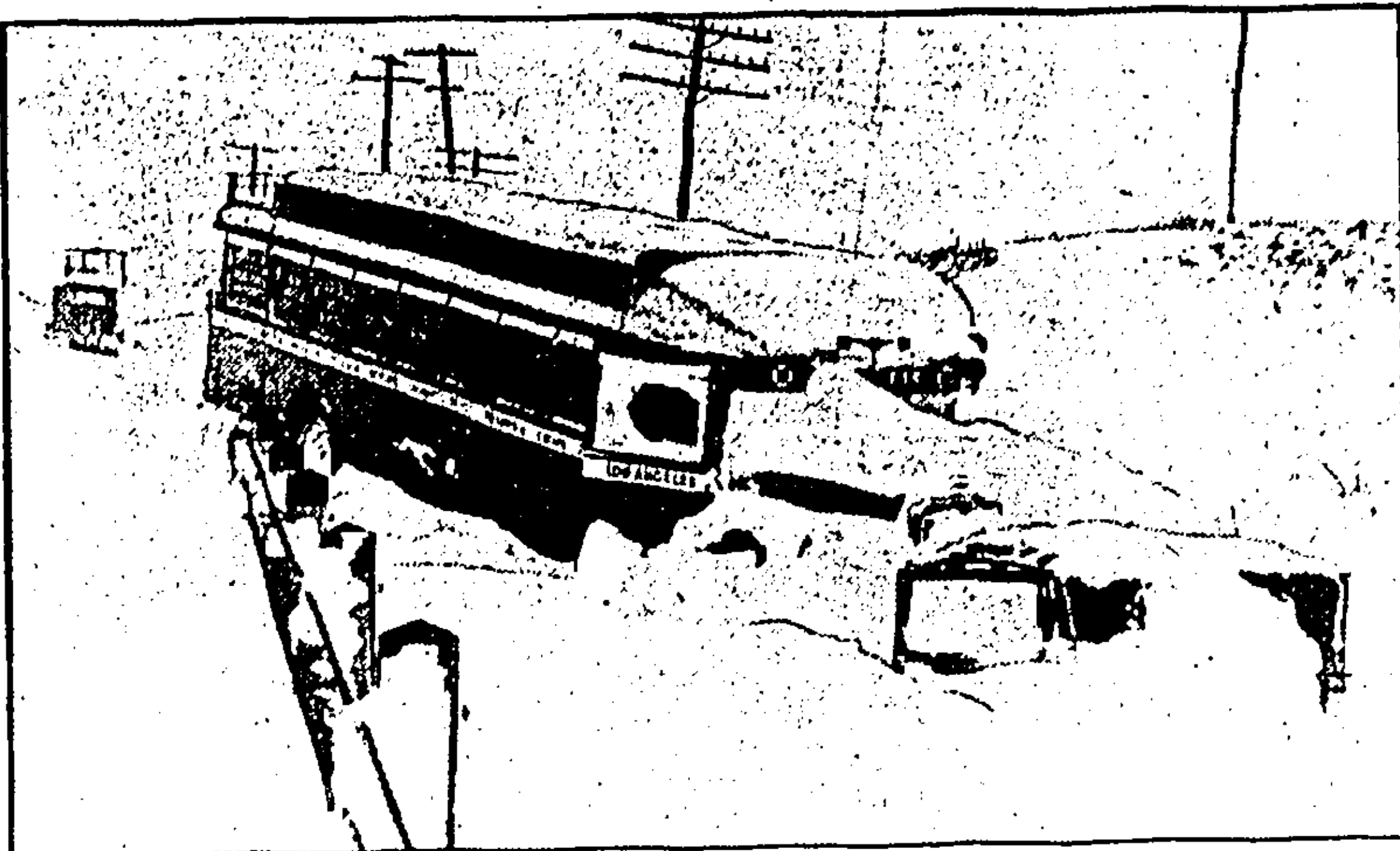


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Once a world-famous work of art—now a jumble of wreckage. Throughout Europe a search is being conducted for the vandals who broke into the Cathedral of Valencia, stole all the jewels on the statue "Purissima," and then knocked the statue down with the destruction pictured here.



The heavy blizzard that swept across the United States recently close on the heels of the mildest winter in years took a heavy toll in traffic accidents caused by blinding snow and blocked highways. This picture shows a small sedan almost submerged in snow after it had been struck head-on by a bus and hurled into a ditch on the Buffalo-Olean highway near Chaffee, N. Y.

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAUTON

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Beautiful Ellen Rossett, a waitress in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her mother, Molly Rossett, her elder sister, Mary, and her young brother, Mike. Molly foolishly spends money saved to pay the rent. Steven Barclay, a man of 27 and Ellen's employer, lends her an evening dress so she can secure a job dancing nights at Dreamland. At the dance hall she meets handsome Larry Harrowgate, an artist, and accepts his invitation to tea next day. Barclay sends her roses. Discovered that the gift is not from Larry, Ellen quarrels with her mother and sister, who openly favour the wealthy Barclay. Mrs. Rossett has a newspaper announcement of Larry's engagement to Elizabeth Buves, a debutante. Broken-hearted, Ellen breaks her tea date with him. She also returns the dress to Barclay and is disturbed to see that he has no intention of dropping their friendship. Still heartbroken over Larry she returns the next night to Dreamland.

CHAPTER X

Ellen knocked at the door of Steven Barclay's office at five minutes past one. Under her arms, carefully wrapped in tissue paper, was the ivory taffeta dress. There had been time enough, after all, for her to pick up the borrowed dress before going on to the store.

That morning in the basement had been no worse than any summer morning. But it had seemed to Ellen that the morning would never end, had seemed to her that before the slow hands of the clock dragged to 1 o'clock she would be dead of suffocation. The morning had ended; she was not dead, even though she felt that there was no particular reason for continuing to live. Life was tiresome and stupid and unfair.

She tried to convince herself that Larry had been only a casual infatuation but she could not forget how different the morning would have been if only she had not read a newspaper clipping, if only the day could have gone as she had dreamed it would. Even the fact that she was calling on the "big boss," that he had sent her flowers, things which only the day before would have seemed dull and unimportant and completely colourless.

She knocked again. Barclay's secretary, Ruth Tevis, a plain girl whose plainness was heightened by heavy eye-glasses, opened the door.

"Mr. Barclay had to go out for a minute," she said, peering over the tortoise shell frames of her spectacles. "He told me to ask you to wait if you will."

When Ellen was seated in the dim, cool office with the dress over her lap, the secretary began fussing unnecessarily and a trifle officiously with the flowers on the rosewood desk, rearranging them, plucking a leaf here and there and sliding the slender crystal vases an inch nearer the centre. She moved a pile of typed letters, awaiting Barclay's signature, to the left of the desk, then back to the right again.

"You were here yesterday, weren't you?" she asked casually.

"Yes," Ellen replied.

She wished the other girl wouldn't stare so. The steady, near-sighted regard of those pale eyes was making her uneasy and nervous, unsure of herself. Ruth Tevis cleared her throat and opened her mouth to ask another question, Ellen was sure—just as Steven entered.

He said impersonally to Ellen, "I'm sorry I kept you waiting, Miss Rossett."

And to the secretary, "I'll call you if I need you, Miss Tevis."

His words were a dismissal. With a dissatisfied glance at Ellen, Miss Tevis turned and went into her own office. As if by accident she managed to leave the adjoining door a trifle ajar but Barclay rose and closed it.

"Miss Tevis, I'm afraid," he remarked with a twinkle in his eye and an entire change of manner, "is beginning to be curious."

Ellen went directly to the point. She was, to tell the truth, vaguely disturbed. The secretary's attitude had in a small way served to confirm her mother's pleased insistence, her own secret fears of the morning. It was possible, it was more than possible that Barclay's interest in her was more than friendly. Certainly there had been a note of intimacy in his voice after the door had closed, a light intimation that both of them were in league to defeat the secretary's curiosity.

She intended to avoid complications of that sort.

"I've brought back the dress," she began, as she leaned forward and laid the box on his desk. "I can't tell you how much I appreciated using it. And the flowers were lovely. They've made our apartment into a florist shop. I've never seen lovelier ones."

"Did you like them?" Barclay exclaimed, deeply pleased and missing entirely her subtle, gracious air of withdrawal. "I hope they didn't wake you when they arrived this morning. But I was determined you should have them before you left for the store."

He was like a young boy, wistfully anxious for praise at his cleverness. Ellen did not stint her praise. It was absurd she thought, even as she thanked him, that she could give a man like Steven Barclay such pleasure.

He was looking down at the dress.

"I'm sorry you've returned it so soon," he remarked with a shade of disappointment. "I'd hoped you'd keep it a long time."

"Mother bought me one yesterday afternoon," Ellen said casually. "Nothing like so beautiful as this but more suitable for Dreamland."

"I didn't think of that," he admitted. "But I do hope everything went all right."

Ellen felt an inextricable net closing around her. Yesterday she had, in that unfortunate burst of confidence, told him so much that to-day it seemed unfriendly to become remote and impersonal. It was impossible. So she painted Dreamland for him with very light strokes. She made it a place almost pleasant, determined above all that he should not be sorry for her. She did not tell him of her first unpleasant encounter nor did she, of course mention Larry Harrowgate. She told an amusing, if underemphasized story of Jacob Salomon, of Tony, of the other hostesses. But Barclay felt, she knew, a lack of spontaneity.

"I'm sorry you have to work so hard," he said slowly when her story was finished. "Glad it won't be for long. Now of course," he said looking straight into her candid, youthful eyes, "now that everything's going so well you won't need to see me any more, will you?"

"Certainly, I will," Ellen said quickly, "if you want to see me."

She could not have him believing she was like that.

"Then come to lunch with me," he suggested, unable to conceal his pleased relief at her answer.

"I'm awfully sorry but I have some errands for Mother."

She really did have, too. "But you will come other time?"

"Of course."

It was impossible for a Rossett to be tepid. Ellen saw with dismay that he had misinterpreted her instinctive graciousness.



Police have suggested that kidnappers of the Lindbergh baby might trim his hair in an effort to disguise him. Here an artist has retouched a recent photograph of the child to show how he would appear without his familiar flaxen curls.



It's a royal sport, is it? Above is Princess Mary Jose, wife of Prince Humberto of Italy, enjoying the international contests at Cortina D'Ampezzo. And—



here is Prince Humberto himself, at the same Italian resort. Heir to the throne of his country, he's also one of its best known sportsmen.



War umbrellas, for centuries an important bit of equipment of Chinese soldiers, are still used by the defending army in Shanghai. Modern Japanese used shell-proof dugouts. Picture shows Lieutenant General Kenkichi Ueyda, commanding Japanese army detachment, in conference with aides.

Worse than that, she was harried by fear that he might think she was coquetting with him, refusing a first invitation so that he would more thoroughly appreciate her acceptance of a second. And she must accept the second one. She had promised. As she rose, feeling helpless and uncertain, he spoke again.

"I've thought a lot about that young brother, Mike. How is he?"

"Just as usual," Ellen smiled. "He woke me this morning by dropping his kitten on my face."

"I'd like to meet him sometime—and your mother."

"You must—sometime."

She left his office in a disturbed frame of mind. She was no calmer when she observed that Ruth Tevis opened the door of the adjoining office and stared after her as she hurried to the elevator. If only Steven Barclay were less kind, if only he were a different sort of man from the generous and natural person he was, how easily she could solve that particular problem. How could she snub a man from whom she had accepted favours, a man whom she was determined not to hurt unless hurting him was the only way out?

Ellen went to a movie that afternoon.

She sat through two presentations of the same silly, sentimental picture but afterward she remembered nothing of the film except that the hero turned his head sometimes in a way reminding her

of Larry Harrowgate. There was, unfortunately for her peace of mind, an illuminated clock visible to the audience. She watched the clock instead of the picture.

As the hands came closer and closer to 4, the hour she was to have met Larry for tea, she found that it took all her resolution to keep from walking out of the theatre and hastening to the hotel where she had promised to meet him.

Four-fifteen. Larry would be wondering where she was, why she didn't come. Perhaps if she

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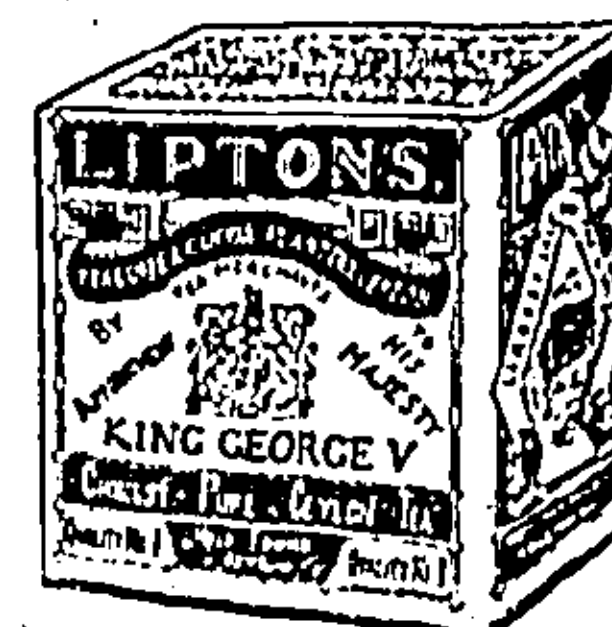
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Hongkong, 18th April, 1932.

OBITUARY.

DEATHS OF TWO IRISH NATIONALISTS.

London, Apr. 16.
The deaths of two Irish Nationalists are reported, Captain W. A. Redmond, who died by the grave-side of his friend Mr. P. F. Hogan, and Mr. Jeremiah Macveagh.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

Captain William Archer Redmond, D.S.O., late of the Irish Guards, was Member of Parliament for Waterford from 1918 to 1922 and has been a member of the Dail Eireann for Waterford since 1923. He was a son of the late John Redmond, Chairman of the Irish National Party. He was called to the Bar in 1910 in which year he first entered Parliament as Member for Tyrone. He served in the European War.

Mr. Jeremiah Macveagh was born in Belfast in 1870. After matriculating at the Royal University of Ireland he took to journalism in the Daily News during the evictions under the Plan of Campaign, his descriptive articles being reprinted and largely circulated in the English constituency. He took an active part in National politics in Belfast and went to London to undertake the duties of private secretary to Sir James Whitehead, ex-Mayor of London. In England he also prominently identified himself with Irish politics and has written many political leaflets, pamphlets, etc. He was called to the Bar in 1918. He was also director of several companies in England and Ireland and Managing Director of the Register Publishing Company.

STRIKE IN AUCKLAND.

SEAMEN TO WALK OUT ON TWENTY-FIRST.

Auckland, Apr. 18.
A strike of constabulary and colonial seamen has been arranged for the 21st inst. It will herald a general strike against the Government's emergency legislation.

All auxiliary forces have been ordered to stand by in case of further rioting, but the police have had no difficulty in moving on the crowds.

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SHANGHAI PEACE PARLEY

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Shanghai, Apr. 18.
It is expected here that the armistice conference will be resumed on Wednesday or Thursday.—*Reuter.*

Future Stability

London, Apr. 18.
In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Alfred Knox, Conservative, asked the Government to invite the interested Powers to negotiate with China for the future stability of Shanghai on the lines of the Pootung report. Capt. Anthony Eden replied that such an indication would add difficulties to the negotiations which all desired to see successfully concluded.

Mr. Knox urged the Government to form a bridge with the Powers between China and Japan, declaring that the Japanese occupation would continue as long as there was instability in the future of Shanghai.

Capt. Eden declared "We want the present negotiations settled before embarking on anything else. He said the investigations showed that the recent report of fighting was based on a mock battle arranged by Chinese of the Fifth Army for an American film company.—*Reuter.*

Mission May Separate

Peking, Apr. 18.
The Commission has chartered a special train which has been waiting at the station since their arrival, the object being that it can go to Manchukuo as the League train is not a Chinese train. It is hoped thus to obviate one of the difficulties in the way of departure.

It is understood that the Manchukuo has sent a special train to Shanhaikuan to meet the delegates hence, after all, the special train from Peking may not proceed beyond Shanhaikuan. It is possible that the Commission may charter that train also, as well as other trains later, on the C.E.R.

It is becoming increasingly likely that the Commission may separate, the Chinese and Japanese assessors and others going to Dairen and the rest to Shanhaikuan.—*Reuter.*

Private Meeting.

Geneva, Apr. 18.
The Committee of Nineteen met privately this afternoon without the parties to the dispute for the purpose of discussing a draft resolution, which if agreed to, will be submitted to the sitting committee, including the parties of the dispute.

The conversation between Mr. Stimson and Sir John Simon on Saturday, lasting two hours, covered all the whole of the ground including the Far Eastern crisis.

The conversation revealed the complete unanimity of the English and American viewpoints on all outstanding questions. Sir John Simon saw Dr. Bruening to-day.—*Reuter.*

SCHNEIDER TRIO.

PROGRAMME FOR THE SECOND CONCERT

The second Hongkong concert of the talented Schneider Trio will take place to-morrow, at 9.20 p.m., at the Helena May Institute. The following will be the programme:

- 1.—Trio in B Flat Major, Op. 97, Beethoven.
 - (a) Allegro Moderato.
 - (b) Scherzo (Allegro).
 - (c) Andante Cantabile, ma poco con moto.
- 2.—Trio Phantasie, J. Marx.
 - (a) Full of fire, but not too fast.
 - (b) Adagio.
 - (c) Scherzando.
 - (d) Dance—Finale.
- 3.—Trio in B Op. 90, Schubert.
 - (a) Allegro Moderato.
 - (b) Andante un Poco Mosso.
 - (c) Scherzo.
 - (d) Rondo—Finale.

THE FAR EAST.

MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA REVIEW

The Thirty-ninth Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, was held at Winchester House, Old Broad-street, London, E.C., Sir T. S. Catto, Bt. (the deputy chairman) presided, and in opening the proceedings said in part:

Of China it is always difficult to know what to say. It is a land of mystery and surprise, but that it has suffered from the world depression is natural. In addition there were serious floods and various military operations, all of which interfered with business. In spite of these disturbing factors there was a substantial increase in the receipts of the Chinese Maritime Customs, which amounted to 240,000,000 taels last year and which compares with 180,000,000 taels in 1931, though this increase is largely due to increased duties on the continued export of these on a gold basis. Then the action of Japan in Manchuria, resulting in an anti-Japanese boycott, which spread to Siam and British Malaya and proved of assistance to Lancashire manufacturers, resulted in losses on the importers of the large stocks of Japanese goods.

The Price of Silver. The wide fluctuations in silver also presented difficulties for those engaged in the import trade in China and at Hongkong. The low price of the metal ruling during the greater part of the year ought to have given an impetus to exports, but the American crisis in Europe and America, combined with the disturbed state of the country and difficulties of transport, checked this. In February the quotation for silver touched a new low record of 12d. the highest price of the year being 21 pence, which was quoted in November, but of course this wide range is explained by the depreciation of sterling. The Hongkong dollar and the Shanghai tael fluctuated accordingly, the former ranging from 10 15-16d. to 1s. 5-16d., and the latter from 1s. 13-14d. to 2s. 0-16d.

The sales of silver by the Government of India, which raised the duty on imports twice during the year, are estimated at 25,000,000 ounces, a report that the Siam Government disposed of about 18,000,000 ounces.

Hongkong Currency Commission.

The Commission appointed by the British Government to inquire into and advise upon the question of Hongkong currency issued their report in August and do not recommend stabilization of the exchange in the meantime, but make certain proposals for placing the currency more directly on a silver basis than it is at present. An interesting feature of the proposals is that the dollar should practically cease to be the legal tender and that the notes of the three banks of issue of which we are one—should be given legal tender status.

The cyclone in Mauritius in the early part of the year resulted in a small crop of sugar and with large world stocks of this commodity and no recovery in the price, conditions on the island have deteriorated further. A loan had to be issued recently for the purpose of giving financial assistance to the planters.

The Dutch East Indies also are seriously affected by the low price of and poor demand for sugar. A large part of the 1931 crop still remaining unsold and at present it seems not unlikely that the Dutch Government plan to restrict the world crops of sugar in meeting with any particular measure of success. Also Java and Sumatra are suffering from the low prices of rubber and tea, and as the guilders is attached to gold, this means that to meet competition with British Malaya and India they have to accept very low prices in local currency.

OPIUM RUNNING

AMERICAN SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS.

Shanghai, Apr. 18.
Withdrawing his original plea of not guilty, Paul S. Crawley admitted his guilt on each of four counts charging him with exporting opium to America.

He was sentenced by Judge Purdy in the U.S. court to-day to two years' imprisonment on each count, the sentences to run concurrently. He will serve the sentence in the McNeil Island Penitentiary.—*Reuter.*

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due.
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow	April 20.
Swatow and Amoy	Cremor	April 20.
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	April 20.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	April 20.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 24th March and	Chitral	April 20.
Parcels, 17th March	Kitano Maru	April 21.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	April 22.
Japan	Rawalpindi	April 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Rio de Janeiro Maru	April 22.
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 2nd April)	Pres. Taft	April 22.
Japan	Kitano Maru	April 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Georges Philipp	April 20.
Salon	Chonocaux	April 20.
Amoy	Takada	April 20.
Straits	Hakozaki Maru	April 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakone Maru	April 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and (Vancouver B.C., 9th April)	Empress of Japan	April 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 1st April)	President Pierce	April 20.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Shanghai	Ajax	Tues., Apr. 19, 3.30 p.m.
Samuel and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Tues., Apr. 19, 4 p.m.
Salon	Heliyo Maru	Tues., Apr. 19, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	Tues., Apr. 19, 4.30 p.m.
Holhow and Pakhoi	Tchekam	Tues., Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Hulchow	Wed., Apr. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Cremor	Thurs., Apr. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru	Thurs., Apr. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Yusang	Thurs., Apr. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 21, 8 p.m.
Sahaghai "Japan and Europe via Siberia"	Chitral	Thurs., Apr. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Talyuan	Wed., Apr. 21, 8.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and "Europe via Vancouver B.C. and "Europe via Siberia"	Emp. of Russia	Fri., Apr. 22.
	Parcels	Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 22, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 22, 10 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C., 9th May)	
Japan	Kitano Maru	Fri., Apr. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Apr. 22, 1 p.m.
Holhow and Pakhoi	Kiungchow	Fri., Apr. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi	Sat., Apr. 23.
	K. P. O.	
	Parcels	22nd, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	23rd, 9 a.m.
	Letters	23rd, 10 a.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Parcels	22nd, 5 p.m.
	Registration	23rd, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	23rd, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 20th May)	
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kamo Maru	Sat., Apr. 23.
	Reg.	Apr. 23, 9.30 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 23, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 6th May)	
Saigon and South Africa and "South American Ports"	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, 10 a.m.
	Canton	Sat., Apr. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Pres. Taft	Sat., Apr. 23, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Anshan	Sun., Apr. 24, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Canton Maru	Sun., Apr. 24, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and "South America and "Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Hejun Maru	Tues., Apr. 26.
	Reg.	Apr. 26, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 26, 5.30 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C., 16th May)	
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Georges Philipp	Tues., Apr. 26.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 26, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 26, 1 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 26, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 26, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 28th May)	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Apr. 26, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and "Europe via San Francisco and Siberia"	Pres Jackson	Tues., Apr. 26.
	Parcels	Apr. 26, 2 p.m.
	Registration	Apr. 26, 2.45 p.m.
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RUSSO-JAPANESE
TENSION

Whatever may happen in Shanghai—and the portents at the moment seem a trifle brighter—there seems every probability, as a foreign traveller just arrived in Shanghai from Harbin suggests, that the Far East spotlight will shortly be switched to Manchuria. The chaotic conditions prevailing there, coupled with mutual suspicions on the part of Japan and Russia, do seem to indicate that we are on the eve of serious developments. Indeed, there is, in some quarters, open talk of the possibility of a Russo-Japanese conflict, which, if it came, would completely overshadow anything that has occurred in the Far East for many years past. Whilst there is, so far as the layman can see, no real reason why these two nations should resort to war, the fact cannot be overlooked that the tension between the two has latterly increased to a marked degree, accompanied by a deal of sabre-rattling which bodes no good.

Apart from any other causes for friction, it cannot be doubted that Russia is jealous of Japan's growing hold on Manchuria, apparently fearing that she has territorial ambitions which may be prejudicial to the Soviet's interests. There are constant references in the Soviet press, also, to Japanese intrigue with "White" Russians, and, turn where one will, there is apparent an obsession that Japan has evil designs on Russia. Only a few days ago, there appeared in *Investia*, the official Soviet organ, an article warning "Japanese Imperial adventurers" of the folly of aggravating Russia. The writer of this article asserted that those Japanese who are plotting to strain relations between the two countries will involve their country in a struggle in which it will inevitably meet defeat. "The U.S.S.R.," said this writer, "will, in case of danger, place under arms sufficient millions fully to protect all its frontiers. . . . We know that a war would cause the greatest distress to our own and the Japanese people, but we also know that in such a struggle the Japanese ruling classes would find their grave. . . . The road of the U.S.S.R. is clear and simple. As the representative of the interests of the toilers, it does not want war. If challenged to battle, it will have the right to seek temporary allies among those capitalist Powers which at the present stage do not threaten its borders and its interests. The U.S.S.R. will fight, and it will be supported by all that is best in humanity, by the toilers of the whole world, who know that the Soviet Union is fighting for the peace and welfare of all mankind." This is a

typical article, in line with much that is being issued at present from the Soviet press, reflecting an outlook which suggests that Russia is determined to resist anything which smacks of Japanese aggression.

When we take further into account the reported massing of Soviet troops along the Manchurian border, and when it is stated that Japan is ready to make any sacrifice to retain Manchuria, even war with Russia and the United States, it becomes clear that the situation is full of ugly possibilities. Both sides appear at the moment to be suspicious of each other, and when relations between countries assume that complexion, it does not require a great deal to fan the embers into fire. It would be a world calamity were Russia and Japan to cross swords, yet further complicating a Far Eastern situation which is already sufficiently threatening and acute. But history shows that mutual suspicion and recrimination often lead to graver developments. Let us hope that in this instance there will be no such upshot. Peace, and not war, is what the East and, indeed, the whole world, has need to pray for.

Straight Lines in Furniture

By report from France, all is not well with the furniture industry, which, some years ago, went "modern" in style and is now dubious about the economic result. A new unornamented and geometrically designed kind of furniture was produced, attracting the attention of household decorators the world over, inspiring illustrated articles in magazines and newspapers, outmoding earlier styles, and promising happy days for furniture makers. The oddity, and often the charm, of the new furniture stirred early enthusiasm, but—here comes the rub—its essentials consist in materials and combination. By adopting plain surfaces and straight lines the new furniture eliminated much of the craftsmanship that had given France the world's leadership in the making of furniture. There is no further need for the wood carver and the cabinet-maker, and a writer in *Le Figaro* has predicted that several trades hitherto largely dependent on the furniture industry will presently vanish. Criticism comes, however, from more widely diffused sources than any single observer composing an article for a magazine. Many dire events have been prophesied in such articles that happily did not come to pass. But complaint is also reported from the Chambre Syndicale (trade union) of furniture, from the Chambre Syndicale of bronze workers, from the manufacturers themselves, and from the association of apprentices in the furniture industry. It is easy to understand that the manufacturers are seriously disturbed by a falling off in the exportation of furniture which, when analysed, indicates that the new furniture is all too conveniently easy for foreign manufacturers to produce by importing and copying French models. The art and mystery of fine furniture work, not easy to imitate, and now so largely abandoned, was what had given the French product a commanding position. The associations of workers see the situation from another angle, and are apprehensive of being compelled to choose between unemployment or a different means of livelihood. On the other hand, and this is of hope to the workers, there are signs of reaction against expression of modernism, already described by some critics as an "excess of simplicity" which is no more desirable than excess of anything else.

DOLLAR DOWN A
FARTHINGSILVER DECLINE
REFLECTED.

The Hongkong dollar continues to be erratic, moving in sympathy with silver variations. This morning it dropped a farthing to 1s. 2½d. Inter-bank business has been done at about 1s. 2½d., but the market has an easy undertone. Silver declined 6/10ths in London, spot and forward. America and China sold, while the Continent and speculators were buyers on a quiet market. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady, with America not operating. New York reports a drop of a quarter in silver, with the market steady. Silver futures are also down.

DAY BY DAY

IN THE PRACTICAL WORK DONE IN MUNICIPAL LIFE A MAN GETS A QUICKER RETURN THAN FROM WORK DONE IN PARLIAMENT.—*Roschberg.*

Mrs. G. S. Archbutt was among the passengers who left by the a.s. Changto to-day.

His Excellency the Governor is holding an investiture at Government House on Monday, May 2nd, at 10.50 a.m.

The P. and O. liner Chitral, which arrives here from Singapore at noon to-morrow, sails for Shanghai at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

H.M.S. Devonshire, at Amoy, reports that the situation there is quiet. A number of refugees have arrived in Amoy from Changchow.

The final dance of the season will be given by the Cheero Club at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, Exchange Building, on Monday, April 25, at 8.30 p.m.

The Central Fire Brigade received a call about 2 p.m. yesterday from the Colonial Secretary's Office, which proved to be a false alarm, as the ringing of the C.F.B. fire alarm bell in the Brigade office was due to a fault in the electrical mechanism.

Mr. Charles Chaplin and his brother, Mr. Syd. Chaplin, are expected to return to Singapore from their visit to Java and Bali on the 22nd and will leave for Hongkong and Japan by the Hokokai Maru on the 24th inst. Mr. Charles Chaplin was so interested in Bali that he decided to spend an extra week there.

What was described as an unserviceable revolver was produced before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Detective Sergeant Lamont applied for the confiscation of the weapon. In making the application, Sergeant Lamont said the revolver was found by a scavenging coolie in a side channel at Soy Street, and handed over to a Chinese detective, who was passing at the time. His Worship ordered the weapon to be confiscated.

HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.

The fall in the sterling value of the dollar failed to act as an incentive towards more liveliness in the market, and conditions this morning were still on the dull side.

Sales.
Hongkong Banks \$1550.
Union Insurance \$470.
Ewo Cottons \$16 1/4/15.15.
Hongkong Trams \$21.85/21.00.
Hongkong Electric \$74.
Constructions (New) \$1.85.
Govt. Loans 4 1/2 Premium.

Buyers.
Hongkong Banks \$1540.
Union Insurance \$465.
Douglases \$26.
Benguet \$14 1/2.
Wharves \$143 1/2.
Providents (New) \$24.
Chinese Estates \$95 1/2.
Benguet Explorations 29 cents.
Hongkong Trams \$21 1/2.
Yau-mat Ferry \$21 1/2.
China Light (Old) \$20 1/2.
Macao Electric \$24 1/2.
Cements (Combined) \$18 1/2.
Lane, Crawford's (Old) \$5.60.
Amusements \$22 1/2.
Constructions (New) \$1.80.
Govt. Loans 3 1/2 Premium.

Sellers.
S. C. Enterprises \$10.
Constructions (Old) \$5.60.

DO NOT MEDDLE
IN THE FAR EAST!
A WARNING TO
BELLIGERENT PACIFISTS

PEACE there will be in the Far East, a sort of a kind of a peace, which might be called Pax Japonica.

That is to say, the Japanese generals will make many low bows and civil speeches to the Lytton Commission; they will discuss the whole situation; they will even withdraw their troops; they will pay certain indemnities for proved damage. But—and this is the point—Japan will remain in possession of Manchuria to-day, to-morrow, the day after, and until some stronger military Power dislodges her.

To Japan the League of Nations stands for Europe, and Japan has not forgotten how Europe robbed her of the fruits of victory in 1895. Manchuria was a part or appendage of the Chinese empire, and gave its name to the dynasty which fell in 1912. The year 1895 saw the victory of Japan in the Sino-Japanese war, and Manchuria was taken by the victor.

But to Russia this seemed too rich a prize for the contemptible little nation that inhabited a small island. With the help—at any rate, with the benevolent acquiescence—of France and Great Britain, Russia proceeded to take Manchuria away from Japan. Then the Japanese, with that intense patriotism and tenacity of purpose which are their characteristics, set to work for ten years to build up a strong navy and army.

Not To Be Fooled Again.

By 1905 they knew themselves strong enough to challenge the bully of the East. Japan crumpled Russia up, and retook Manchuria, whose enormous agricultural and mineral wealth the Japanese have developed ever since. Japan will not be fooled a second time: having beaten Russia, she is not likely to be wheedled or frightened out of Manchuria by the League of Nations. Should the gem of the Far East be internationalised and divided up between the Western Powers, when Japan has fairly acquired the country by her own valour and intelligence, and done for it what China has failed to do?

The so-called Chinese Empire is broken up, and has politically ceased to exist. All the king's horses and all the king's men cannot set Humpty-Dumpty together again; for 97 per cent. of the Chinese people are illiterate, though they are industrious and ingenious workmen. There are more than 70 war lords all over China, fighting one another for loot. Chiang Kai-shek, the self-elected President of the so-called National Government of China, has his headquarters at Nanking, which has a population of seven millions, about a sixtieth of the total population of China.

100-miles Radius of Power.

The radius of the National Government's power is about 100 miles, and although Chiang Kai-shek is for the time in alliance with Feng, the so-called Christian general, no one can tell how long the combination will last. To talk of the tiny republic of Nanking as the capital of China is ludicrous. There

is no Chinese Government with whom any one can treat.

Great Britain is just now in a very precarious position in the Far East, and our belligerent pacifists had better be careful how they lecture and provoke Japan, which has the finest artillery at the moment, and every branch of army, navy, and air force highly trained, and concentrated in the tiny sea of Japan within 48 hours' steam of Shanghai. The British forces by land, sea and air are scattered all round the world, while the forces of the other Powers are negligible. The Mikado is absolute master of the situation.

The Americans hate and fear the Japanese, who dislike and despise the Americans. Japan is the one country upon whose policy America has failed to impress its will and prestige. The vapouring and scurrilous American Press and its hectoring politicians merely excite the smiles of the Japanese, who are fatuous enough to consider their Emperor a greater man than the President of the United States.

The Guam Incident.

In 1918 the Americans took over the island of Guam, about the size of Malta, where they intended to make a harbour big enough to take the entire American Navy.

But Japan was clever enough to carry a resolution at the Washington Conference that there should be no more constructional activity in the Pacific; so Guam had to be scrapped. They tried to get us to stop our work at Singapore. There are no spots on Japanese diplomacy.

Now I hear, on good authority, that the United States has made up its mind to get out of the Philippines. Will Japan take them? And if that should lead to war between America and Japan, will not Great Britain be forced into it on the side of the United States?

It is a terrible contingency, but not so improbable or remote as might be thought by those who have not watched the decline of England and the rise of Japan in the Far East. Sasebo, the Japanese Portmouth, is 1,500 miles from Guam, and there is no restriction of naval activity in those dock-yards.

According to all accounts the Chinese have many likeable and admirable qualities. He loves a laugh, and you can do much with him by appealing to his sense of humour. His power of work is very great, he never grumbles, and within limits is a valuable servant. The educated middle-class Chinaman, the cashier, the contractor, is among the most competent and honest in the world.

Ancestor Worship Ideals.

Per contra, the Chinese masses are detestably cruel, and they have no sense of national unity, organisation, or patriotism. They are quite contented to live as their ancestors have lived for the last 3,000 years. They envisage a future world as a place of re-union with their relatives, and Chinese ancestor-worship has always seemed to me a more respectable and amiable devotion than the contempt for their predecessors affected by Western democrats.

Whether the Chinese will ever break through the cake of custom it is impossible to say. As things look now, the best thing for the civilisation and commerce of the world, in my judgment, would be for the Japanese to develop, organise and administer China, as England has organised and administered India. The difficulties would not be so great, as though they speak a different language, Chinese and Japanese are both of Mongolian stock.

Such a policy would be a check-mate to Bolshevism. Whether it is feasible or not, nothing can be more foolish than to quarrel with Japan to please America; or more odious than to raise the colour bar in order to support the tyranny of trades unions in the Antipodes. A. A. B.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

London Terminals
August 1932 4/7½ down 1½d.
December 1932 4/11½ down 1½d.
March 1933 5/2½ down 1½d.
May 1933 5/4½ down 1½d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ½d-¾d more.

New York Terminals.
May 1932 .69 down 4 pts.
July 1932 .67 down 4 pts.
September 1932 .74 down 3 pts.
December 1932 .81 down 3 pts.
March 1933 .88 down 4 pts.



"I can see the boss' point. His non's just been married and needs that job as much as I do."

VILLAGE ROAD
MURDERHEARING DATES NOW
FIXED.

Special precautions to prevent overcrowding had to be taken by the Court Officials at the Central Magistracy this morning when Cheng Kwok-yau, arrested in connection with the murder of George Fung at Village Road, Happy Valley, made another appearance before Mr. Wynne Jones.

Long before the sitting of the Court large numbers of Chinese of both sexes filed into the courtroom, but steps were taken by the officials to prevent admission of more people than could be comfortably accommodated, with a result that after all available room was occupied, police officers were posted at the doorway to refuse further admission.

Mr. T. Murphy (Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation) appeared for the prosecution together with Chief Detective Inspector A. N. Reynolds and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton represented the prisoner.

His Worship (to Mr. Murphy):—You are in a position to fix a date now?

Mr. Murphy:—Yes, your Worship. I have been instructed to ask your Worship to reserve Tuesday next, the 26th, this day week, forenoon and afternoon, if possible and the following Friday at the same times.

His Worship:—I can't give you the forenoon of Friday. I can give you the forenoon of Tuesday if that suits Mr. Brutton.

Mr. Brutton:—I am afraid not, your Worship; I shall be engaged elsewhere.

The hearing of the case was accordingly fixed for the afternoon of Tuesday, April 26 at 2.30 p.m., to be continued on Friday afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

£100,000,000 FOR
EDUCATIONGENEROUS BRITISH
PROVISION.

London, Apr. 18. When the Minister for Education, Sir Donald Maclean, presented his department estimates in the House of Commons to-day, he said they provided for an Exchequer expenditure of £42,892,676, which shows an economy of £5,500,000 on last year. In 1906 the estimates were about £12,500,000.

With sums raised from the rates by local Education Authorities, there is about £100,000,000 for educational purposes in Great Britain—more than half the total national expenditure for the year before the war.

He doubted whether there was any country in Europe to-day whose Budget contained so generous a provision for education.

Regarding recent economies, Sir Donald Maclean said there had been reductions under every head except teachers' pensions and scholarships to students.—*British Wireless.*

EMPIRE PRODUCTS
FAIRAN OPPORTUNITY FOR
LOCAL FIRMS

The plan for an Empire Products Fair in connexion with the local observance of Empire Day is, we hear, being taken up with marked enthusiasm. The event is being held at the Peninsula Hotel on May 23rd and 24th, and already the measure of support promised assures a very fine display of products from various parts of the Colony, from the Mother Country and from the Dominions.

Arrangements are being made whereby individuals and firms may secure space in the Fair for the exhibiting of British goods. No charge is being made for reservations, but any donations towards the fair funds will be welcome. Already there has been a good response in this direction.

Intending exhibitors are invited to apply for reservations to Mr. J. P. Brava, Chairman of the Fair Sub-Committee, 1a, Chater Road, from whom all particulars in connexion with the project may be obtained.

Mrs. Land Maa, of the Sincere Co., was fined \$10 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy to-day for disobeying a traffic signal on April 8 when he drove his motor-cycle against the red light on the Praya outside the Star Ferry Wharf at a moment when the ferry.

Thought to have fallen from a tram in attempting to alight whilst it was in motion, a Chinese who was found by Sergeant Williams lying unconscious outside Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd., at 8.30 p.m. this morning, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

BISHOP BANS
DANCING'BUSES AS VEHICLES
FOR SIN.

Paris, Mar. 27. Controversy has been aroused locally by the denunciation as immoral, by the Bishop of Quimper and Leon (Brittany), of not only dancing and dance halls but also the omnibuses which carry dancers to and from the halls.

The Bishop denounced dancing "because it is immodest"; dance halls "because they are places of abominable disorder"; and the omnibuses "because they enable the dancers to go to the dancing halls", with the aggravating circumstances that the people "crowd in without the least regard to propriety, which soon gives opportunities for moral sin."

In an interview yesterday, Monsignor Duparc said that he excepted the old-fashioned dances, especially the Breton dances, which he described as "charming and chaste," but only on condition that they were danced in the open air and in daylight.

Tangos and negro and American dances the Bishop described as an "abomination which should not be tolerated, even in the open and in full daylight."

Asked why he was so severe on the omnibuses, Monsignor Duparc explained that village youths and girls used them to go dancing in neighbouring parishes, thus escaping the disapproving eye of their own cure. Worse still, he said, they put the light out going home.

Unemployment Welcomed. The Bishop added that he welcomed the economic crisis and unemployment, as they would force people to "consecrate less to pleasure."

Monsignor Duparc strongly criticised contemporary writers, who, under the pretext of psychology, introduced a sensual element into their works. "By one page inserted for the sake of sales he remarked, 'such authors do more harm than the whole of Zola.'"

The Bishop concluded by declaring that in his diocese the Church had placed a ban on all dance halls, and even private dances, unless they are held in the open and finished at eight o'clock. A young man who recently applied to his priest to be married was asked to sign an undertaking that there would be no marriage ball. As he refused, he is to be married at seven in the morning.

COOLIE PREVENTS
SUICIDEOLD WOMAN SAVED IN
NICK OF TIME

The timely appearance of a Public Works Department coolie, Lo San, at a rather deserted spot at Wongneichung Gap yesterday afternoon, was the means of preventing a tragedy in which an old Chinese woman figured.

It would appear from a report issued from Police Headquarters this morning that the woman, whose age was given as 70 years, had gone to the spot yesterday afternoon and there decided to end her life. She had just suspended herself from a tree when the coolie happened to pass and, taking in the situation at a glance, instantly went to the woman's rescue, cutting her down.

The woman was unable to speak, and the case has since been referred to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

PHILADELPHIA
DEBACLERUN RIOTS IN THE
AMERICAN

New York, Apr. 18. Chicago assumed leadership of the National League and Washington of the American League as a result of to-day's baseball games, which resulted as follows:

National League	
New York	1 Boston 7
Brooklyn	8 Philadelphia 0
Cincinnati	5 Pittsburgh 0
St. Louis	1 Chicago 3
American League	
Philadelphia	7 Washington 15
Chicago	1 Cleveland 2
Detroit	14 St. Louis 2

ROYAL WELCOME.

FOR MOTHER OF U.S. AVIATOR
KILLED.

Shanghai, Apr. 18. A royal welcome has been prepared for Mrs. Elizabeth Short, whose son Robert, lost his life when engaged against Japanese aeroplanes in a battle over Soochow in February. Mrs. Short, who is coming to China on the invitation of Gen. Tsai Ting-kai is due to arrive to-morrow on board

DROUGHT IN ENGLAND



Continued dry weather this Spring has caused a scarcity of water in Europe. Our picture shows distribution of water in an English village where only a single well is not drained.

PRESSMEN BARRED.

WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO
ENTER MANCHURIA.

Tokyo, Apr. 18.

Despite reports of increasing signs of tension between Japan and the Soviet, the Soviet's action in requesting the Manchurian Government to replace the Chinese consul at Blagoveshensk for despatching coded messages on behalf of Gen. Ma Chan-shan, has created a very favourable impression in Japanese official circles where, it is stated, it helps to dispel the reports that Gen. Ma fled to Soviet territory and at the same time prevents the further broadcasting of anti-Japanese propaganda to the League of Nations Commission.

In the meantime, following the Manchukuo Foreign Minister's intimation to Japan that Dr. Wellington Koo will be promptly arrested if he leaves the S.M.R. railway zone, a press despatch from Mukden reports that Manchukuo has decided to debar Chinese pressmen from entering Manchuria, the same as Dr. Wellington Koo, on the grounds that their presence would tend to disturb peace and order.—*Reuter.*

Avoiding a Clash.

Tokyo, Apr. 18. Commenting on the concentration of Soviet troops the Far Eastern Government's spokesman emphasised that Japan was anxious to avoid the possibility of a clash and consequently would refrain from sending troops eastward to Hailun unless absolutely necessary. It is asserted that the disposition of the Soviet troops indicates that they are prepared for action, but defensive rather than offensive.

It is further declared that the Soviet is reinforcing the garrison and preparing elaborate defences in Saghalien, where there are no Japanese troops. Consequently the Japanese oil wells will be at the mercy of the Soviets in the event of trouble, though this is not at the present time expected.—*Reuter.*

"FLOATING SHOPS"
NO MORELAST OF ORKNEY
TRADING SHIPS.

The passing of one of the quaintest and most picturesque of shopping agencies, in Britain is indicated by the sale of the "floating shops" which have served the people of the Orkney and Shetland Islands for many generations past.

Beginning in the days of sailing vessels, these boats, laden with a great variety of goods and provisions, have made regular calls at the smaller harbours and remote bays in the islands, providing the scattered inhabitants with a direct supply service in the same way as the grocer's and butcher's vans serve the rural population in all parts of the British countryside.

From a whole fleet of vessels, however, the "floating shops" service has dwindled in latter years to one steamer, chiefly owing to the advent of motor-vans and also to the extension of country branches from shops in the towns of the islands. The last of these vessels has now been disposed of.

Mr. C. Funch, of Messrs. Johnson & Co., was fined \$5 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning for causing an obstruction at Stubbs Road on April 7 by leaving his car outside the Peak coolies' shelter.

the President Taft with her son, Edmund.

Representatives of schools and various public bodies are sending delegations to welcome her, and the Mayor, Mr. Wu Teh-chen will represent the Chinese Government.

It is believed to be the first time that a woman will receive an official welcome to China. She will be the guest of the Chinese Government.—*Reuter Special.*

JOURNALISTS AND
THE PUBLIC.THE NEWSPAPER
PRESS FUND.

70 YEARS OF WORK.

Now, if the men who provide this all-pervading presence, this wonderful, ubiquitous newspaper, with every description of intelligence on every subject of human interest, collected with immense pains and immense patience, often by the exercise of a laboriously acquired faculty united to a natural aptitude, much of the work done in the night, at the sacrifice of rest and sleep, and (quite apart from the mental strain) by the constant overtasking of the two most delicate of the senses, sight and hearing—

I say, if the men who, through the newspaper, from day to day, or from night to night, or from week to week, furnish the public with so much to remember, have not righteous claim to be remembered by the public in return, then I declare before God I know no working class of the community who have. The words are Dickens's, spoken at the second dinner held by the Newspaper Press Fund, which is about to make its annual appeal for subscriptions. Dickens was, in fact, speaking in 1866, long after he had given up his editorship of the *Daily News*, and the quotation will no doubt remind many readers of the many changes that were then taking place in journalism. The old *Pell Mail Gazette* was founded in 1866, and it was in the same year that the Press Association and the *Sportsman* first made their appearance. A good many other changes took place in this period. The Central News was founded in 1870 and the Central Press in 1863. The famous *Globe* for so long the leading Whig organ, turned Tory in 1866, four years after the *Morning Chronicle* had disappeared after a long career. The *Morning Chronicle* had had for its contributors men like Hazlitt, the poet Campbell, Sheridan, Thomas Moore, Lord Brougham, Byron, Lamb, Thackeray, and John Stuart Mill.

Journalism was on the threshold of the great expansion of circulation that took place in the 'nineties. Until the very end of the nineteenth century a circulation of 50,000 was considered large. The *Times* had got up to 50,000 in 1854, and had left its rival, the *Daily Telegraph*, a good way behind. A year later the *Daily Telegraph* came down to a penny, and its sale jumped up to 27,000. But it is difficult to estimate what was an average sale for the London daily newspapers in the sixties. The old *Morning Herald*, in the eighty-eight years of its existence (from 1781 to 1869) never got over 6,000—a very big drop from the 50,000 circulation of *The Times*.

It was in the 'nineties that the great expansion of circulation began. Northcliffe, whose bust now looks out upon the Fleet-street he did so much to create, said that the movement was made possible partly because of the great cheapening in the price of news print that occurred between 1875 and 1885, and partly because of the great mechanical improvements. But there was a third factor of much greater importance, and this was the increase in popular education. Throughout the nineteenth century a popular demand was growing for cheap newspapers, and it was Northcliffe who took advantage of it.

A Critical Year.

From 1864 the Newspaper Press Fund has been guarding the interests of journalists, and doing what was possible to mitigate the distress of unemployment and illness. It was founded for this purpose, and throughout the uncertain and somewhat stormy history of journalism in the last seventy years it has been generously supported by the public. It is now faced with a critical year. The depression has touched most industries, and none more heavily than the newspaper industry. The Newspaper Press Fund has at the moment more pressing claims to meet than at any other time in its career.

For the time being the extraordinary expansion that has been sketched in this article has been checked, and proprietors have been forced to delay developments and to reduce staffs. For two years every effort has been made by proprietors to alleviate the distress that they saw must inevitably be the result of a policy forced on them by events outside their control. Nevertheless, the pressure of falling trade has continued, the necessity for retrenchment has had to be faced, and in consequence more and more appeals have been made to the Newspaper Press Fund by distressed journalists and their dependants.

Fall in Income.

Unfortunately its income has fallen alarmingly just at the time when an actual increase is most necessary. It was not, perhaps, to be expected that the high level of

RADIO
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THEATRE.

Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s.)
6.00-8.00 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records.
6.00-6.18 p.m. Operatic.
Trovatore-Selection (Verdi).
Creator's Band. 35778.
Pagliacci-Selection (Leoncavallo).
Creator's Band. 35701.

6.18-6.50 p.m. A Concert.
Piano Solo-Prelude in D Flat (Chopin).
Ignace Jan Paderewski. 0847.
Song-Swiss Echo Song (Eckart).
Marion Talley (Soprano). 0593.
Violin Solo-Oriental Romance (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Fritz Kreisler. 1200.

Song-The Auld Scotch Song (Bethune-Loosen).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1805.
Piano Solo-Imprromptu in A Flat (Schubert).
Piano Solo-Étude in E Major (Chopin).
Ignace Jan Paderewski. 6028.

Song-Comin' Thro' the Rye (Old Scotch Air).
Marion Talley (Soprano). 1140.
Violin Solo-Rose in the Bud (Forster).
Renee Chemet. 1132.

Song-The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1303.
6.50-7.25 p.m. Variety.
7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations, Mail Notice, etc.).
Songs of Our Native Birds.
Charles Kellogg (The Nature Singer). 35785.

Organ Solo-Call Me Darling.
Jesse Crawford. 22901.
Humorous Monologue-The Trick Boys.
Marshall Cole. 22805.

Song-Gambling Folks Dot Blues.
Jimmie Rodgers. 23636.
Orchestral-My Sunshine is You.
Orchestral-Goodnight, Sweetheart.
Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. 36048.
Organ Solo-Rhapsody in Blue.
Jesse Crawford. 22843.

7.25-8.00 p.m. Orchestral.
Henry VIII (Saint Saens).
(a) Introduction and Entrance of the Clans.
(b) Scotch Idyll.
(c) Dance of The Gypsy.
(d) Jig and Finale.

Played by Damrosch and the National Symphony Orchestra. 7292-3.
Salome's Dance (Richard Strauss).
Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 7265-7266.
Japanese Nocturne (Rachmaninoff).
Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 7260.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-11.30 p.m. Relay from the Ko Shung Theatre.
10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.
11.30 p.m. Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.

C.P.R. REDUCTIONS.

CUTS ON TRANS-ATLANTIC
SERVICE ANNOUNCED.

The Canadian Pacific Company advise that they have greatly reduced fares on their trans-Atlantic ships between Montreal, Quebec and European ports. The following fares now apply:

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Emp. of Australia	Class Class way trip	Class Class
Emp. of India	G100 — G100 G112	G100 G112
Emp. of Japan	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Canada	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of China	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Korea	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Persia	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Siam	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Thailand	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Indo-China	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Malaya	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Sumatra	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Java	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Celebes	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of Moluccas	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of East Indies	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
Emp. of West Indies	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
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Emp. of South America	G112 — G112 G112	G112 G112
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The above-mentioned rates apply all the year round, summer season rates having been abolished.

Formerly, travellers from the Orient who booked at the through rate to Europe, required to pay an additional supplement when travelling via the larger Atlantic liners, such as the Empress of Britain, but now under the new fares, passengers may travel via this Atlantic liner at the through rate without supplement, unless special accommodation is required.

donation income reached in 1930, which was £38,000, could be maintained in 1931, partly because the public had less - to give and partly because in 1930 the income was swelled by a magnificent gift of £10,000 from Lord Rothermere. But the £10,000 income received in 1931 was considerably below the average for the past few years, and it is natural that the organisers of the Newspaper Press Fund should face the present year with some anxiety. Last year the payments made to members were £12,500 (as compared with £12,700 in 1930) and to non-members £1,800. The total of grants was £15,400, compared with £15,500 in 1930, and £15,300 in 1929. Payments on the various pensions accounts amounted to £7,500 (£7,600 in 1930). This, the total disbursements for relief of distress amounted to £22,900, an increase of £77 over 1930, and of £3,400 over 1929. The net result of the year was that expenditure exceeded income from all sources by £3,800.

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STILL CHAMPIONS

RUMJAHNS RETAIN TENNIS TITLE

DULL MATCH GOES TO FIVE SETS

Flischer and Goldman yesterday went much nearer to achieving the impossible by defeating the Rumjahn cousins in the final of the open doubles tennis championship than was ever anticipated, and could they have displayed a solid front to their opponents when leading by two sets to one, might well have now been the new champions.

As it was, Goldman cracked under the strain, and the Rumjahns swept majestically through the remaining two sets to snatch a great victory, and win the title for the eighth year in succession. The exchanges were, at times, extremely dull, and not at all reflective of the best talent in Hongkong. All four players erred, and it was, therefore, additionally bad luck for Flischer that he should lose his second final, in view of the fact that he was the best player on the court. He covered himself with glory by splendid defensive work. Goldman accomplished one of two outstanding things, but his general play lacked stability, and if the cousins had concentrated on him, they would have won far easier.

H. D. Rumjahn was the stender of the cousins, but he was far from blameless and seemed upset to discover that the advantage gained by the winning of the first set was nullified by the conceding of the next two. "Sirdar" took a long time to settle down and never really touched his proper form.

The fact that the issue was taken to five sets kept the match interesting, but the play never reached great heights, and was an unhappy criterion of local tennis standard.

The cousins won the first set at 6-4, breaking through Goldman's service in the seventh game, to assume the lead, but the challengers, asserting themselves, earned the second set amid great applause, and, getting the cousins thoroughly rattled, went on to claim the third at 6-1.

Mistakes by Goldman in the fourth game of the fourth set, when he and Flischer had a great chance of levelling the scores to 2-all, cost the losers the most important game of the match, and thereafter they were never a serious proposition, the cousins running away with this and the fifth set with the score of 6-1 in each case.

The prizes for the tournament were subsequently presented to the successful contestants by Miss Hancock.

UNIVERSITY TENNIS

MEDICAL FACULTY DEFEATS ARTS.

The Medical and Arts faculties of the Hongkong University met in a doubles tennis tournament yesterday on the University Pavilion ground, the former winning seven sets to two.

Results (Medical names first):
P. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman, 6-3; beat W. K. Chou and P. T. Kho, 6-1; lost to Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson, 6-7.

G. E. Yee and Y. K. Ng (Capt.) beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman, 7-5; beat W. K. Chou and P. T. Kho, 6-2; lost to Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson, 5-7.

Prof. L. T. Ride and H. N. Lee beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman, 6-2; beat W. K. Chou and P. T. Kho, 6-1; beat Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson, 6-3.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

TEAM LEAVING ON PRESIDENT JEFFERSON

The team of Hongkong cricketers who are to make the trip up to Shanghai in May for the Spring Interport will be sailing on the President Jefferson, which leaves on May 19, reaching Shanghai on May 20. They will be returning on the Empress of Canada which leaves Shanghai on May 27.

The Interport practice nets will be opened on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Thursday and onwards. There will be a trial match on Saturday, April 23, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Friday.	Yesterday.		
Paris	105.15/16	105.15/16	Brussels	20.90
Geneva	17.30/32	17.30/32	Milan	73%
Berlin	15%	15.31/32	Stockholm	20%
Oslo	19.11/10	20.3/10	Copenhagen	18.5/10
Helsingfors	215	215	Prague	127
Athens	300	300	Lisbon	100%
Buenos Aires	36.5/10	36.5/10	Rio	4%
Shanghai	1/8	1/7.15/10	Bombay	1/6.1/10
Yokohama	1/8	1/7.15/10	Yokohama	1/9.3/10
Montevideo	20	20	Montevideo	20
Montreal	4.10	4.10	Montreal	4.10
Silver (spot)	10.11/10	10.11/10	Silver (spot)	10.11/10
" (forward)	10%	10%	" (forward)	10%
Hongkong	1/2%	1/3.1/10		

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1550 ss.
Chartered Bank, \$11 1/4 n.
Mercantile Bank, \$18 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$470 ss.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$26 b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$23 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19 1/2 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$14 1/2 b.
Kallans, 23/9 n.
Shui Exploration, Tls. 2.10 n.
Rauks, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$143 1/2 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$21 n.
South China Motors, \$10 n.
Providentia (old), \$4.80 n.
Hongkong, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 5 1/4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 1/2 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.25 ss.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings, Tls. 10 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H.K. Hotels, \$13.40 n. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels Rights, \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$77 1/2 n.
Metro Lands, \$10 n.

Realities.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Realities, \$11.60 n.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$50n.

Chinese Estates \$95 1/4 b.

Benguet Exp. 29 cts. b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$21.75 b.

Penk Trams, (old), \$15.50 n.

Star Lights, \$20 1/2 n.

H. K. Electric, \$74 ss.

Mago Electric, \$24 1/2 b.

Telephones, \$41 n.

China Buses, Tls. 16 n.

Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.

Industrials.

Malabons, \$21 n.

Canton Ice, \$5.05 n.

Cements, (com.) \$18.25 b.

Ropes, \$14 1/2 ss.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$18.25 n.

Watsons, \$16 n.

Watsons Rights, 3 1/2 n.

Der A. Winsa, \$1 n.

Lanc Crawfords, \$5.60 b.

Mackintosh, \$19 n.

Sinceres, \$16 1/2 b.

Powells, \$3.55 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$22 1/2 b.

Entertainments (old), \$14.90 n.

Constructions (old), \$5.60 s.

Constructions (new), \$1.80 b.

S. C. Enterprises \$10 s.

B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58%* n.

Loans, \$33 1/2 b. Prem.

COMMERCIAL PRESS'S REHABILITATION.

RUMOURS OF ITS REMOVAL TO HONGKONG

Rumours are current that the management of the Commercial Press in Shanghai contemplates removing its printing press departments from Shanghai to Hongkong and that twenty-five presses have been ordered by this famous Chinese concern from England for delivery at Hongkong.

The above rumours were neither denied nor confirmed by the local management of the Commercial Press when interviewed by a representative of the press yesterday afternoon. However, they expressed the opinion that the question of rehabilitation of the Commercial Press would be decided at the coming meeting of directors in Shanghai, who had no definite project in mind at present, in view of the uncertain conditions in North China, and as no one was able to predict the outcome of the Sino-Japanese actions.

It is interesting to note that while the Commercial Press has branches in all the leading cities in China, Peking and Hongkong are the only other places where the Company has its own printing shops. The main printing establishment of the Commercial Press was unfortunately entirely destroyed when Chapel was burned in the Sino-Japanese clash.

ANZAC DAY

CELEBRATION ON MONDAY BY AUSTRALIANS

Arrangements in connexion with the local celebration by Australian and New Zealand residents of Anzac Day, which falls on Monday next, have been completed, and the Committee promise a great celebration for the day.

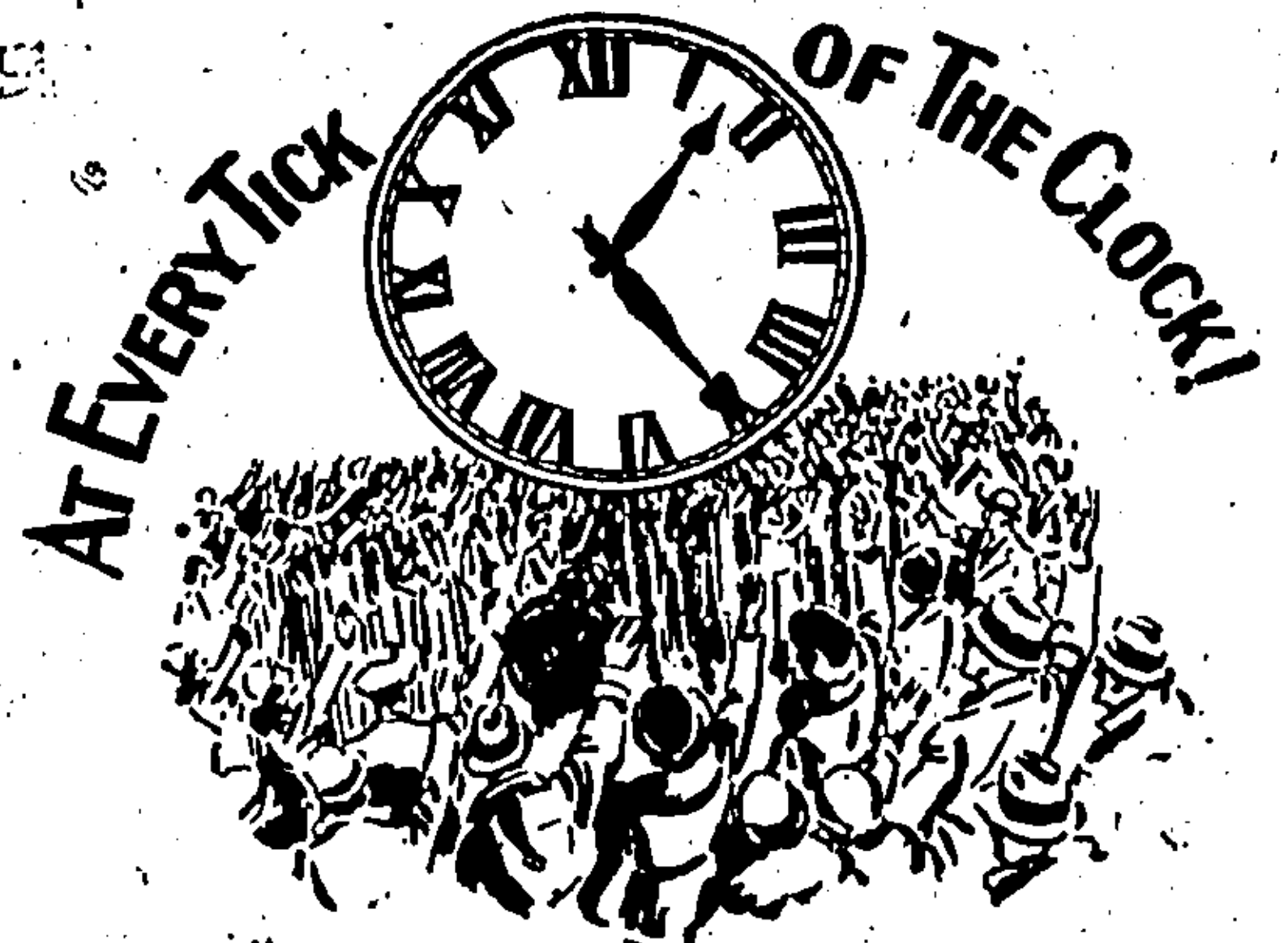
All interested will meet outside the Law Courts on Monday morning at 10.45 a.m. and at 10.55 a.m. a wreath will be placed on the Cenotaph by three returned "Diggers", whose names will be announced later.

In the evening, Australians and New Zealanders will gather at a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, where the brave exploits of the Anzacs will be honoured. Two toasts will be given, and at the conclusion of the dinner a musical programme, consisting entirely of national "Down Under" airs, has been arranged. As far as possible the menu will consist of products from the two Dominions.

Similar arrangements have been made in Shanghai by the Australasian residents there, and felicitations will be exchanged between the two bodies. The Hongkong arrangements are in the hands of a strong Committee, the Secretary of which is Mr. John T. Cook, care of Gilman and Co.

"Anzac" stands for "The Australian and New Zealand Auxiliary Corps." This word-name was coined in Egypt as the title for the expeditionary force at the time of its formation in 1914. On April 25 of the following year, the force landed at Gallipoli, and this day has since been commemorated as the "Anzac Day." In Australia and New Zealand the morning of Anzac Day is given over to solemnity, in honour of those who fell at the landing at Gallipoli, while the afternoon is regarded as a time for rejoicing on the anniversary of the first real test of Australian and New Zealand manhood, which acquitted itself with honour.

The committee in Hongkong issue a cordial invitation to the general public and members of the services to attend the wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph. A special invitation is issued to ex-service men and members of the military forces who participated in the landing at Suvla Bay, Cape Helles or Anzac Beach when the Gallipoli campaign was commenced.



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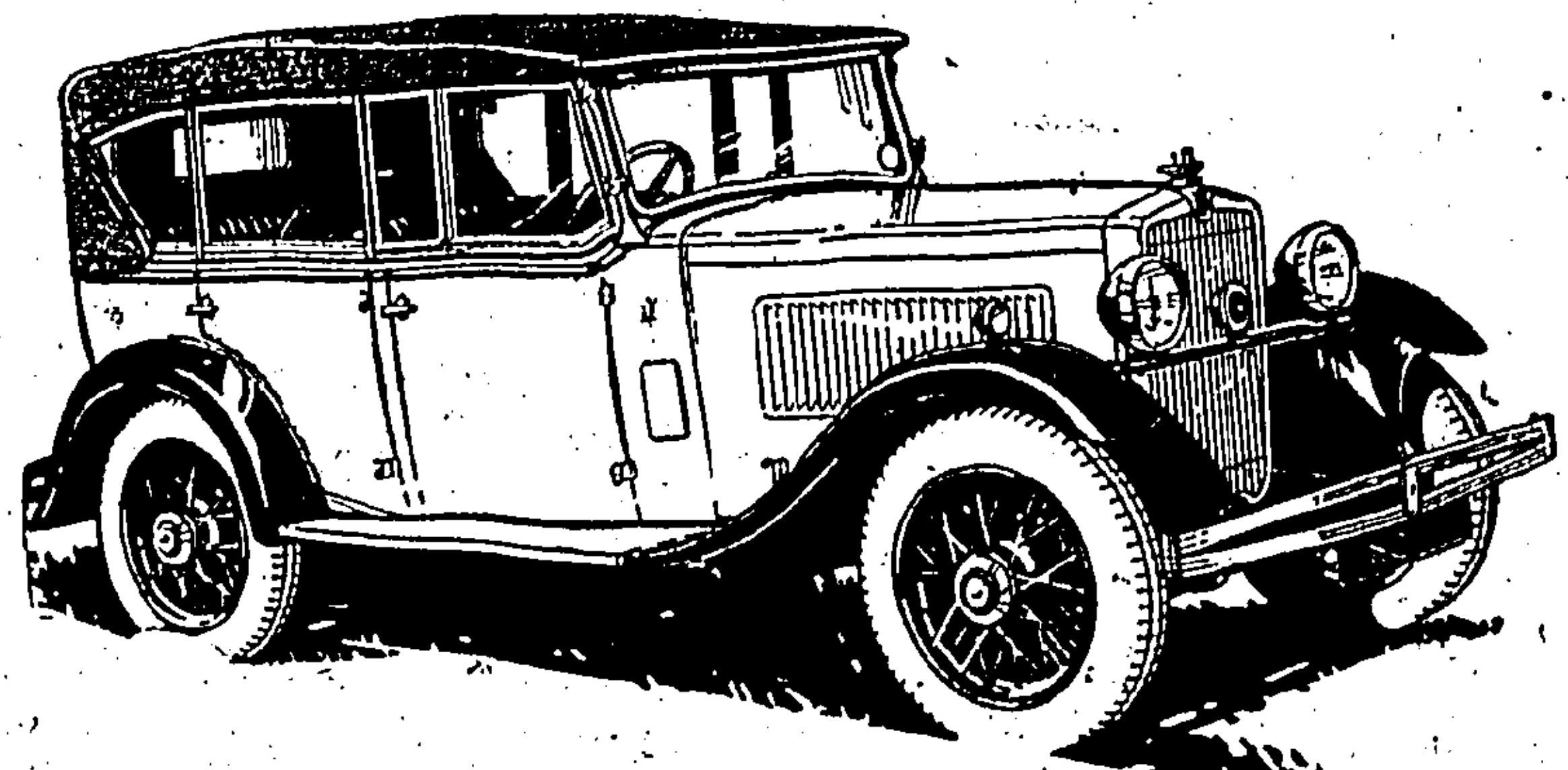
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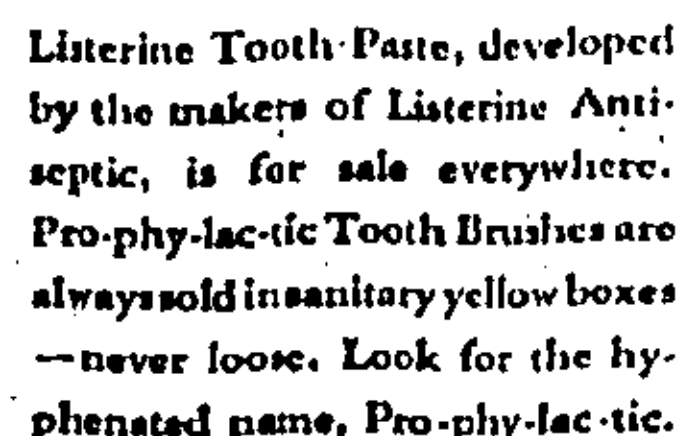


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THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET ISSUED.

A sound financial position is disclosed in the annual report and balance sheet of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, which is conducted under the auspices of the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Trust Association.

In a preamble it is stated that the report is issued "in the hope that it may be the means of soliciting further financial support to enable the committee to proceed unhindered with a work of such tremendous importance."

The report attributes much of the early success of the Home to the untiring efforts of the late President and chairman, the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey. Credit is also given to Mr. Anstey's successor, the Rev. E. H. Tribbeck, "for the enthusiastic and optimistic manner in which he has taken over the leadership of the institution."

The work of the committee and members of the committee is also referred to in eulogistic terms.

During the cooler months of the year and with the return of the naval ships from their northern cruise, the committee prepared an interesting and varied programme of activities. An entertainment committee was formed under the chairmanship of Commander E. D. Brooke, R.N., and with various sub-committees allocated to deal with socials, lectures and debates, a very successful season has been enjoyed.

Sports and Social Work.

After reviewing the various sporting activities of the Home, the report states that the library has been recently recatalogued and reconditioned and now comprises nearly 1,000 books.

The Sunday evening Service Men's Hour, which continues throughout the year, has shown new signs of life. An average of 50 attend this hour of social fellowship.

Referring to the financial statement, the report says "The financial position of the Home during the year 1930, which has necessitated the withdrawal of many of the naval ships and military personnel from the colony, has seriously affected the revenue of the Home during the latter part of the year under review, but in spite of this and the fact of the continued depression in the value of dollar, it will be seen that the Home has weathered the financial storm fairly successfully."

"Service men numbering 38,695 have slept in the Home during the past year as against 30,033 for the year 1930. This figure shows an increase of 6,932 over 1930, and 12,060 over 1929. Our 'shakedown' have revealed remarkable figures; they disclose the startling fact that no less than 9,505 men occupied this form of accommodation during the year under consideration. This is an increase of 4,352 over 1930 and 7,693 over 1929. In addition we have had to turn away an average of more than 50 men per night during our busy period."

"The committee of the home are fully alive to the need for the provision of sleeping accommodation sufficient to meet whatever demands are made by the men it is proud to serve, but it is left to the financial support of those into whose hands this report may fall as to whether the scheme for an enlargement of these present premises shall become a reality, and place us in a position to meet this very urgent need, justified by the continued patronage of our service men."

"Our profit and loss account has had to face heavier financial calls than during the previous year, no-

RANSOM RAISED

KIDNAPPERS OF BABY INCREASE DEMAND.

New York, Apr. 18. The kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby have increased the price of ransom to \$500,000 and the police and Federal agents are combing the Boston and Cape Cod areas on land and sea and in the air.

It is also reported that when Colonel Lindbergh flew over Martha's Vineyard to keep his tryout with the kidnapers he was accompanied by the Chief of the Revenue Intelligence Service.

[It will be recalled that the kidnapers' failure to keep the bargain was attributed to Police interference.]

table increases being shown on management salary, servants wages, fuel and light, rents, rates and taxes, and repairs, whilst the sum of \$2,500 has been written off for depreciation and our reserves increased by \$1,762.71.

Substantial Donations.

"Our donations amounting to \$2,407.88 represents largely a grant of \$50 from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty and a generous donation of \$450.00 from the Whampoa Bethel Fund. Further, at the beginning of the present football season, a Charity Football Match was arranged between a combined Services Team and the South China Athletic Association. The Home received \$874.80.

"It is obvious, too," continues the report "that many of the local Chinese citizens realise that the presence of naval ships and military units in Hongkong is as much in their interests as those of the countries from whence the defence force are drawn. This is evidenced by the Chinese friends who have, from time to time, expressed their interest in our endeavours, with generous donations."

"This report would be incomplete without due mention of the following gentlemen, whose names we are glad to include in our list of donors. —Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kowloon, and Messrs. Fung Wei-shing, Ma Ying-pu, Ho Kom-tong, Chan Lim-pak, Kwok Siu-lau, Wong Kwok-shuen, Ng Sze-kwong, Mok Kon-sang, and Cheung Kue-shing. It is felt that there are many others who will gladly subscribe towards our aims and objects when they are conversant with the urgency of our need."

THE DIME-A-DANCE GIRL.

(Continued from Page 5.)

went, if she were very cold, it would be all right. Surely just to sit chatting with him for a short while would be all right. Perhaps he meant to tell that the engagement was broken.

Someone tapped her on the shoulder. "Listen," hissed a voice in the darkness. "Don't wiggle so, lady. I can't see the picture for your head."

Ellen sat rigid. Four twenty-five now. Perhaps he had gone. Should she saunter through the lobby to see?

The picture moved on toward a tragic denouement. Sniffles rose from the audience; a few men coughed explosively. Pale blurs of handkerchiefs showed in the grey darkness. Ellen was dry-eyed, frantic with restlessness and indecision.

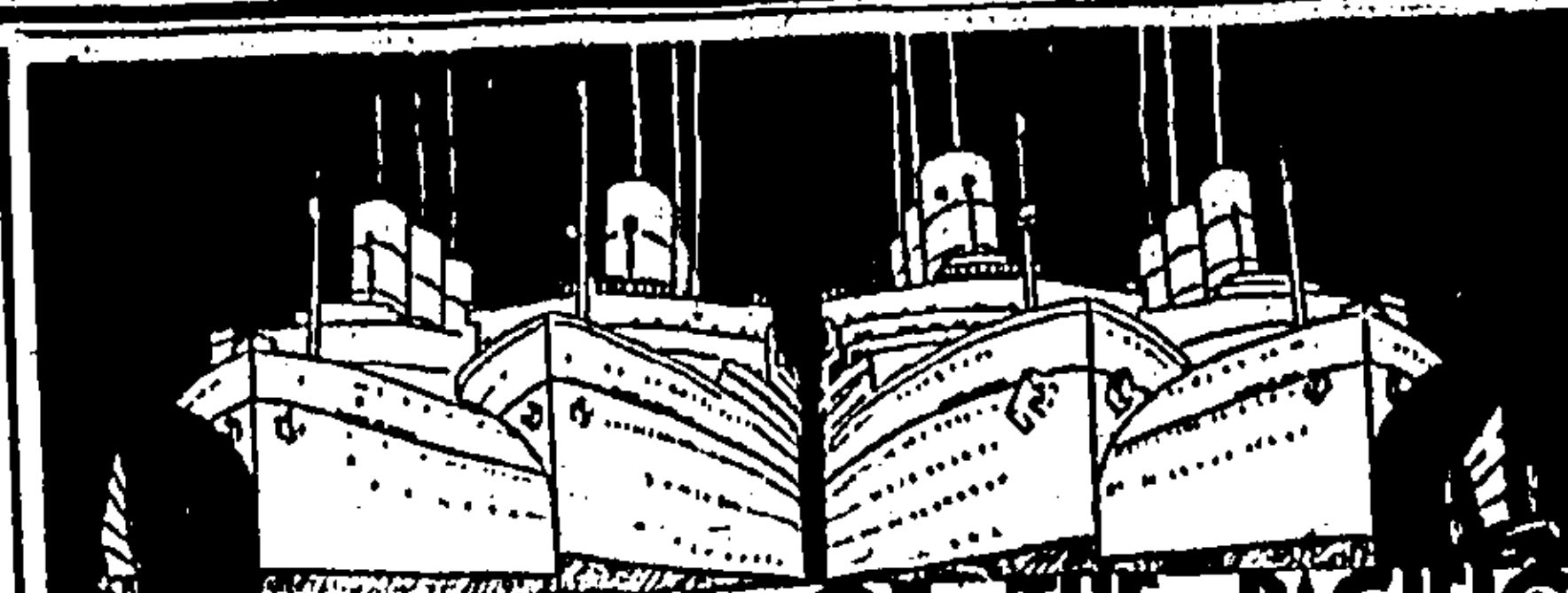
At 10 minutes to 5 she surrendered. At 10 minutes to 5 a small section of the matinee audience was treated to the spectacle of a young girl who jumped hastily from her seat and ran up the long shadowy aisle toward the street.

Ellen entered the lobby of the Hotel Vandervent at 5 o'clock. Her breath was coming quickly; her cheeks were crimson banners. She hesitated before she plunged into Peacock Alley. It was not too late yet to retreat with her pride. But her pride was gone and she knew it.

Larry was not there. By the time she had made one hurried passage through the brilliant, mirrored alley she had assured herself of that. She assured herself of something else as well. She was glad, glad, glad! Glad that kind fate had taken him off before her folly had come to its consummation.

She had lived through the longest afternoon of her life she thought—but she still lived. She was still young. And she had her pride again, a little battered perhaps, but substantially intact. Larry would never know that she had come to meet him.

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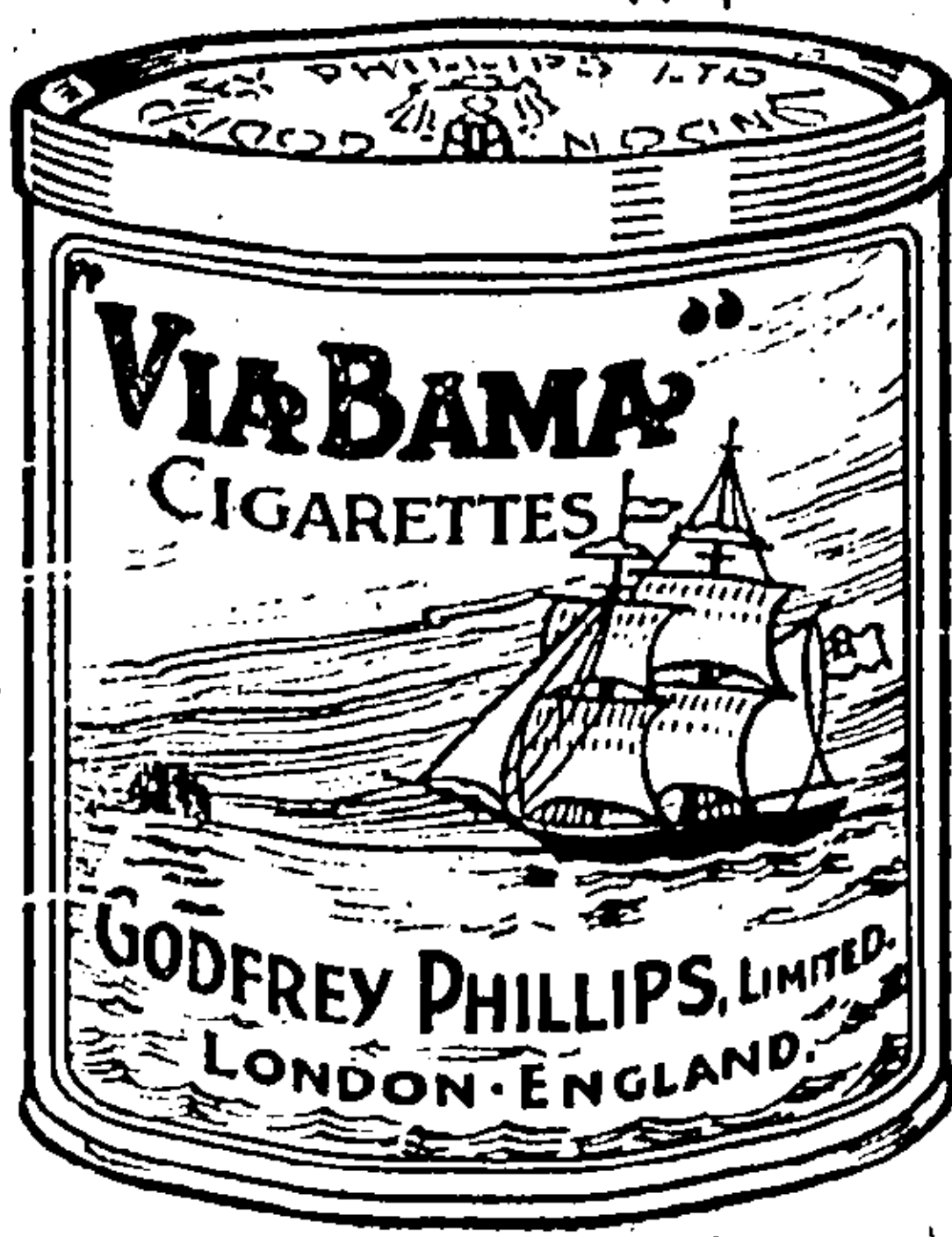
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THE MONTESSORI
SYSTEM

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her College was "a plant, not of intellectual gymnastics, but of enlightened, useful women." Or we might retrace the uphill fight of Margaret McMillan for all the ideals embodied in the nursery school movement. If we did this, we should find many women opening many class-room windows for the sunshine of happiness to stream into them and the light of common sense to brighten them. Not least amongst them is the Lady Doctor, Maria Montessori.

Debt to Seguin.

One can hardly say that she is a pioneer in educational theories. She goes out of her way to acknowledge her debt to Seguin. She does not know how deeply indebted Seguin was to Perle's (1715-1780), in spite of Seguin's writings. Perle's work was devoted to deaf-mutes, who were sadly neglected. The Latin poet Lucratus had written of them:

"To instruct the deaf no art could ever reach,
No care improve them, and no wisdom teach."

St. Augustine did not seem to be more optimistic. But Pedro Ponce de Leon, a Spanish monk in the monastery of Ona, wrote in 1578: "I have had for my pupils sons of great lords and notable people who were deaf and dumb from birth. I have taught them to speak, read, write and reckon. They calculated, prayed aloud, served Mass, knew Greek, Latin, Italian, and understood natural philosophy and astrology." It is probable that Perle, who had lived in Spain, knew something of the work of this monk. Perle's special contribution was his discovery of the all important function of the sense of touch. Through Seguin Dr. Montessori learnt the possibilities of this sense, and we know the part assigned to it in the use of her apparatus by children. The sense education of the Savage of Aveyron by Itard and the principles involved deeply influenced Seguin who studied under Itard; and so they reached Dr. Montessori.

We remember that she commenced her work with feeble-minded children. Seguin had devoted his life to them. But she soon convinced herself that "the child who has not the force to develop, and the child who has not yet developed are in some ways alike." And so that the elementary methods of instruction of both groups should be similar. Here we have the starting point of her whole system.

When one comes to ask what precisely the system is, the natural answer would be read her own book *The Montessori Method*. However, we are immediately confronted with the strange anomaly that, when we begin to talk with others who have read it, their interpretation appears to be different from ours. Turning to one or two written accounts we find in Monroe's *Encyclopedia of Education*, that the essentials are 1. Sense Training; 2. Great Stress on Freedom. To Sir John Adams the system appeals especially as sounding the knell of class-teaching; while Pittman finds a chief point: Greater freedom in the child's choice of occupation; opportunity of self-education; fuller training of the senses; more natural groupings of children. Yet another says: "the biological principle of liberty is for Dr. Montessori the fundamental principle of education."

We think that Dr. Montessori herself is to blame—if blame be the word—for the uncertainty. If a

woman opens the windows it is not, as a rule, to let in the spirit of logic but the glow of sentiment; and sentiment can pronounce both strawberries and a musical sonata to be "awfully nice" without giving pride of place to either. It seems to me that a reading of Dr. Montessori, as well as some of the works about her, makes it clear that she rings the changes, now on one, now on another of the following five points:

1. Due importance attached to sense education; 2. "Spontaneous Development"—and this seems to be the kernel of her system; 3. Individual Characteristics studied; 4. Perfect liberty; (not whim); 5. Environment.

Developing the Senses.

It can be easily seen that if spontaneous development be the centre of the system, early education must concentrate a good deal on the senses, for the sense life is the first to manifest itself in the child and, even as the reasoning power grows, the senses must supply the material for thought. If the development is spontaneous, it must clearly be the outcome of individual characteristics which cannot unfold themselves under the undue restraint either of the teacher or of the environment.

The lecturer dwelt for some time on the unity of these ideas in practice, and continued:

I do not intend to say anything about the apparatus. No doubt the apparatus is the first thing that strikes the visitor to a Montessori school. Some of it is original, much of it is a woman's practical realisation of the theories of Seguin and Itard, or a modification of Froebel's "gifts." Dr. Montessori, herself, does stress the importance of her apparatus, but we feel sure that future historians of educational development will describe Dr. Montessori, not as a classroom Santa Claus opening windows to hand in pedagogical toys, but as a woman with the rich instinct of a motherly heart understanding child life and child needs, and with the sympathy born of this instinct devising practical ways and means to fill them.

You, students of education, can easily put your finger on flaws in her enunciated theory. Though she was a doctor you may discover that some of her biological concepts are deficient—I believe that our world-beat medics sometimes and biology difficult—you might point out her failure to link adequately organism, function and environment. You might especially call attention to her neglect of the enormous importance of the nervous system in our reactions to educational experiments. You would stress the fact that it is the nervous system which links the body with the various organic elements and binds them together in the mysterious physical unity of the human body.

When you do begin to apply logic to her written works you find that there are many wants and many inaccuracies. It is well that you, future teachers, should do this. But it is still more important that your scholastic efforts do not carry you away from the world of facts—oh, I do not mean the examination world of facts—for if the world of men were ruled by logic the Peace Conferences of Geneva would either have been unnecessary or would have long ago attained their ends. Still less is the playful world of children ruled by logic.

Hence I think that when Dr. Montessori opened her class-room windows it was above all to let out the stern air of logic and to fill the room with a more congenial atmosphere of spontaneity, created by a sympathetic understanding of

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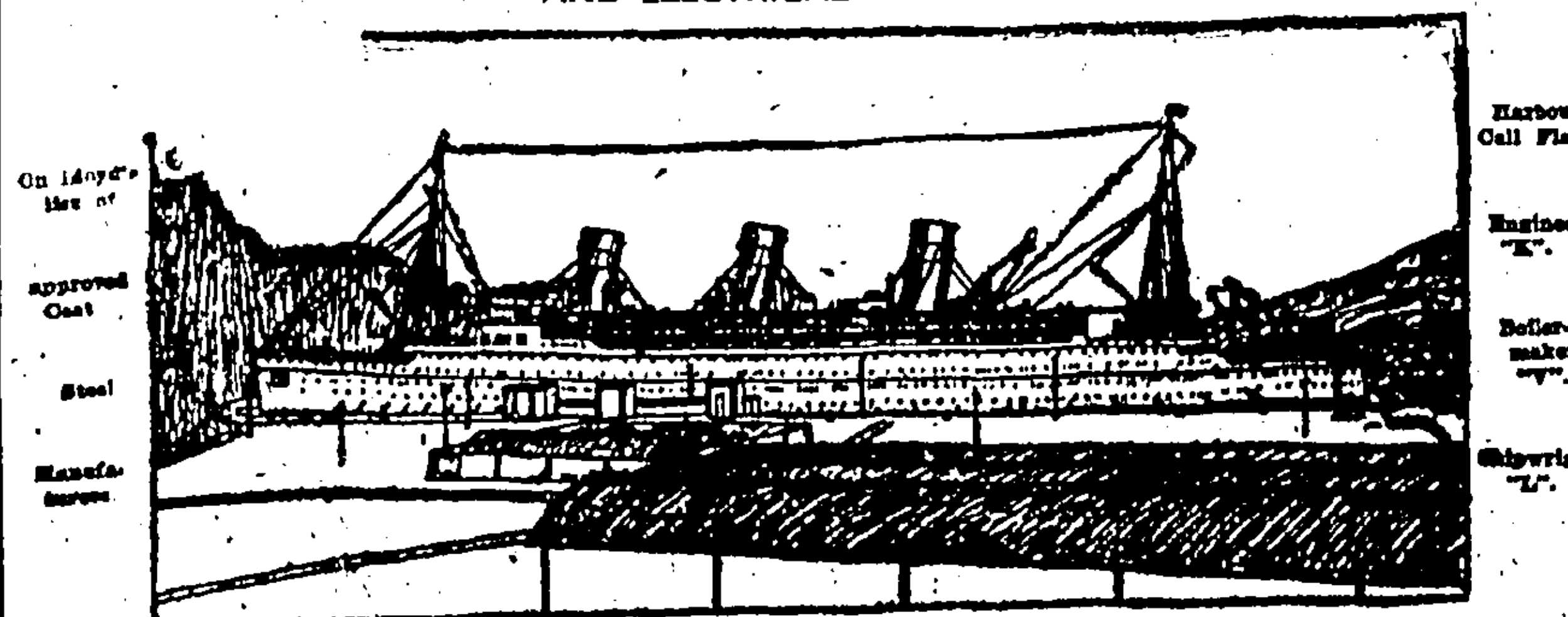
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NEW "REFINING" PROCESS.

It has been long agreed by scientists that a successful process of low temperature carbonisation would be the salvation of the coal industry. The announcement, therefore, by Professor Wheeler, of Sheffield University, at the third International Congress on Bituminous Coal at Pittsburgh in November last, that Salerni had, after years of research, succeeded in solving the problems of Low Temperature carbonisation, aroused considerable interest.

Sir Eric Hambro, the banker, who is now convalescent after a protracted and trying illness, yesterday gave to an *Observer* representative the first considered statement he has yet made for publication on the Salerni process.

"I see in the system the salvation of Britain's coal industry," said Sir Eric. "The Salerni system can bring back prosperity to the mining industry, rid the country of smoke, and create a home supply of oil. I was convinced that if the Salerni system were established as a new industry, it would be the surest way of removing the cause of the present depression. Because this was no time to appeal to the Government, or even the public, for finance, I decided to take upon myself the responsibility for the provision of the initial funds to develop this system."

"If the producers of petroleum had been content to place upon the market their product in the raw state, petroleum would not have made its present inroads upon the preserve of coal-producing countries; nor is there hope of the encroachment being arrested unless the policy of asking the consumer to use coal in the crude state in which it leaves the pits is abandoned."

Petroleum Gaining Favour.

"One of the chief reasons why petroleum is gaining favour even as a household fuel—as, for instance, in central heating installations—is because heat treatment makes it burn efficiently. Without heat treatment, petroleum would not have stood a chance as a fuel against coal. I am persuaded that the coal mining industry must take a leaf out of its rival's book. Bituminous coal can, and should, also be improved by heat treatment to free it from its steam and smoke-giving constituents without loss of any of its useful properties as a solid fuel. The Salerni system provides the means of achieving this."

"The word carbonisation does not seem appropriately to describe the process. Carbonisation implies its transformation into coke, i.e., coal robbed of density, calorific value, and flaming properties—the very antithesis of what is intended by the process."

"In the Salerni system, carbonisation is stopped almost as soon as it begins, the object being to 'refine' coal with the least possible degree of carbonisation. The function of an efficient process is to free a product of only those of its constituents the presence of which in the product is detrimental, having regard to the use to which it is to be put—the very effect which treatment of bituminous coal by the Salerni method produces. The function of the Salerni system is to free bituminous coal of only those of its constituents which are detrimental to its value and efficiency as a solid fuel, namely, the steam and smoke-giving constituents, the gas-forming constituents which provide coal with its flaming properties, being left in it."

"The fuel thus obtained is not coke, but bituminous coal in refined condition. It should, therefore, be described as refined coal. Not only are its chemical properties as a solid fuel improved, but its physical properties are superior to those of the original raw coal."

Relative Values.

"In comparing the relative value of the process of refining as applied to crude petroleum and to raw bituminous coal, one is struck by the fact that whereas the objectionable matter of which petroleum is freed during refining—basic sediment and dirt—is of no commercial value, a large portion of the objectionable matter of which the refining process frees bituminous coal is recoverable in the form of valuable oil—a fortunate circumstance which should be a further incentive to the coal-owner not to market his product in the raw state."

"Assuming that a ton of bituminous coal is, after treatment, reduced in weight to, say, sixteen hundredweights, the sixteen hundredweights of refined fuel will, when consumed under a common boiler, or in a household grate, give off as much useful heat as the original ton of coal, the difference in weight representing not useful fuel lost, but the water and smoke eliminated."

"Therefore, in the matter of transport and handling alone, which represents a substantial part—in many cases, the larger part—of the cost of coal to the consumer, there would result a most material saving."

Perhaps the main advantage of the process of refining coal is the removal of the inordinate depreciation which coal slack at present suffers."

"The production of coal slack is the chief reason why coal is today fighting a losing battle against petroleum. Coal slack costs as much to raise as coal in lump, and because of its small market value, the price demanded for lump coal must be increased to such a point as in many cases to lead to the use of petroleum in its place."

"The refining of a colliery's output would raise the value of slack to the level of that of coal in lump, and would consequently make possible a very material reduction in

NAVAL PARITY IN MEDITERRANEAN.

NEW FRANCO-ITALIAN MOVE.

Paris, Mar. 18.
Following conversations between M. Tardieu and Signor Grandi, the Italian Foreign Minister at Geneva, an important development is expected in Franco-Italian relations.

The most serious obstacle to a rapprochement in the last few years has been the irritating question of naval parity. It is believed that this has now been resolved, thanks to a clever formula evolved by the Quai d'Orsay, and which is more probably the invention of its chief, M. Tardieu.

This consists simply of accepting parity in the Mediterranean. France has no reason, and has never claimed any, to want naval superiority here; from the strategic point of view equality with Italy would fully satisfy the requirements of security.

It is only to protect her Colonial communications and to guard her Northern coast against attacks from Germany that France demands a margin of tonnage.

Ship-to-Ship Basis.

It is now proposed that the units designed for these two purposes should be classed apart from the Mediterranean forces.

As Italy has no naval interest outside the Mediterranean, she need not count these units as constituting a French superiority and as she will be on a ship-to-ship basis inside it, the arrangement will come to the same thing as parity.

Italian prestige—the chief difficulty in all previous negotiations—will thus be satisfied, while France will have the right to the navy which she considers necessary for the triple function of protecting her two coasts and assuring the *littoral* with her overseas possessions.

The new proposal, which is new only in form, its content being merely a restatement of the French thesis, will be discussed in a general examination of the various differences between the two countries which is expected to open shortly.

the price at which the product can be put upon the market without decreasing the profit of the mining industry. Indeed, that profit could be increased.

"I have been extremely gratified with the tremendous interest that has been taken all over the country in the plans for development of the system, although, owing to my illness, I have, so far, been unable to take an active part."

"I am convinced we have in the Salerni system the sure means of restoring prosperity to our coal-mining industry, providing the indispensable supply of home-produced oil, and improving our all-important trade balance and unemployment problems."

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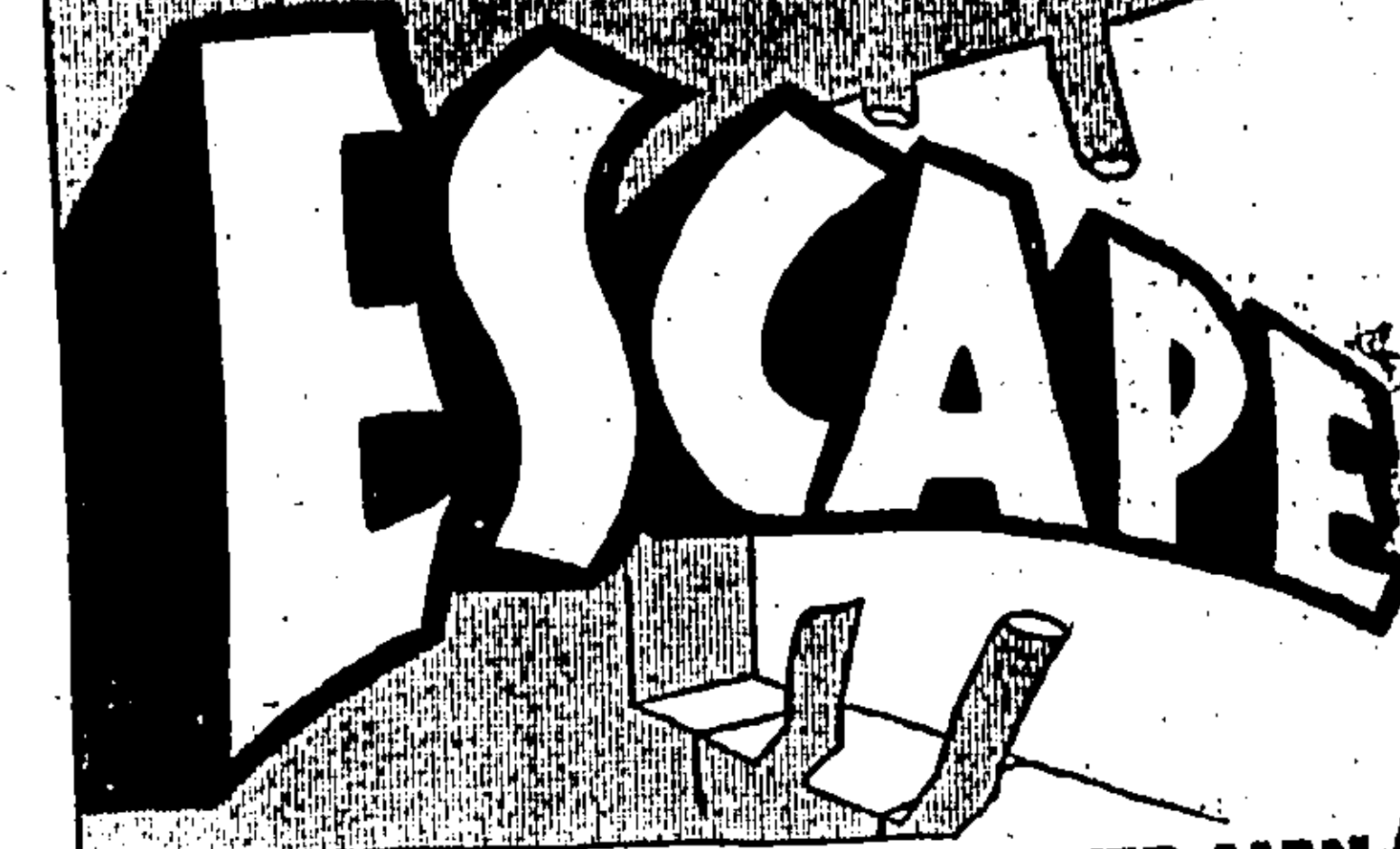
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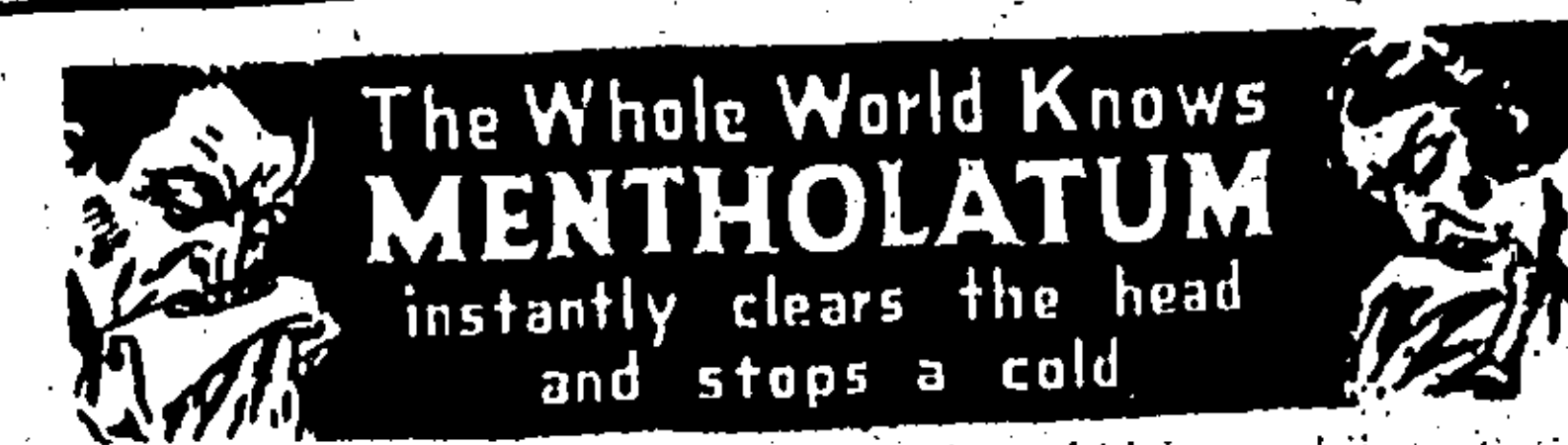
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TOKYO TAKING SOVIET WAR DANGER CALMLY.

WAR OF THE SPIRITS TRANCE MEDIUM ACTION ABSTRUSE POINTS

(Reuter's Special Service).
London, Apr. 18.
A large number of obstruse, but striking, points engaged the attention of Mr. Justice McCordie to-day in the course of a long summing-up in the Trance Medium Case.
The case is one in which Mrs. Menig Morris, the well-known medium, is suing the Daily Mail for libel in casting reflections upon the genuineness of her manifestations. The hearing has lasted several days and has now reached the final stages.
Good and Evil.
Mr. Justice McCordie pointed out that while a great deal had been heard in the case about good spirits communicating with living people, a minimum had been heard about evil spirits, which were said to exist.
It seemed to him that if evil spirits could communicate with living people as efficiently as could the good spirits, the jury would see how grave a question was raised by the spiritualist creed.
Central Figure.
The jury, he said, had to decide whether Mrs. Morris, in her sermons, was delivering messages from some discarnate spirit named Power—who must be regarded as the central figure of the case—or whether she was speaking from memorised sermons or speaking extempore on ideas derived from her early life.
It was a curious feature. His Lordship added, that Power refused to disclose his identity.
His Lordship had not concluded his summing-up when the court adjourned.

£95,000 REFUSED FOR PICTURE

LARGEST BID EVER MADE IN ENGLAND
London, Apr. 18.
Art experts from Europe and America were present at Lambton Castle, Durham, when many world-famous works of art from the collection of Lord Durham were auctioned to-day.
Lawrence's portrait, "Red Boy," was withdrawn at £95,000, the largest bid ever made for a picture in England thus being refused.—*British Wireless.*

C.W.A. SCOTT OFF AGAIN

ANOTHER ATTEMPT ON RECORD
London, Apr. 19.
Mr. C. W. A. Scott, hero of two brilliant flights from England to Australia and back, left Lympne at five o'clock this morning in an attempt to break the England-Australia record.—*Reuter.*

AUTOGIRO TO FLY TO CAPE

BRITISH AIRMAN'S PROJECT
London, Apr. 18.
Mr. J. N. Young, an ex-Air Force pilot, intends shortly to fly to South Africa in an autogiro machine. This will be the first long distance autogiro flight and as the machine is designed for safety and not speed he is not attempting any records.
He thinks that as it is able to dispense with large landing grounds the Autogiro is specially suitable for undeveloped country.—*British Wireless.*

The Nervousness in Moscow Not Shared



Tracks on the Chinese Eastern Railway torn up. The incident is becoming increasingly common. The Soviet alleges that Japan is stung by managing the interference in order to provoke an incident. Japan declares that the reverse truly represents the facts.

MUTUAL SUSPICIONS WITH LITTLE FOUNDATION

TOKYO COMMENT ON JINGO RUMOURS

AXE-GRINDING TONGUES AWAG
Tokyo, Apr. 19, 12.50 p.m.
Despite the rather disquieting reports of Russo-Japanese tension in North Manchuria, the Japanese Government is taking a calm view of the situation and apparently does not anticipate any serious development.
Owing to the presence in Manchuria of numbers of persons of different nationalities, many of them of the adventurer type with axes to grind, all kinds of wild rumours are in circulation.
The Japanese Government contends that the majority of these stories can be discounted as fabrications.

SUSPICION UNFOUNDED

A Japanese spokesman to-day suggests that the Soviet's suspicions of Japanese intentions appear to be as unfounded as Japanese suspicions of the Soviet.
The fact that General Tuman's Second Division is under orders to leave Harbin to-morrow, returning to its peace-time station, Linyang, is taken to indicate that there is little danger of a clash with the Soviet.—*Reuter.*

TOKYO MUNITION EXPLOSION

FIFTY HOUSES WRECKED
Tokyo, Apr. 19, 10.42 a.m.
A number of persons were injured, fifty houses were partially wrecked, and the whole neighbourhood was thrown into confusion and partial panic this morning when an army ammunition store on the outskirts of Tokyo blew up.
The explosion was terrific and it was a wonder that the damage was not greater. The cause is not definitely known, but it appears to have been due to spontaneous combustion.—*Reuter.*

WOMAN LEADING REBEL FORCE

Harbin, Apr. 19.
It is reported that a young Chinese woman, a graduate of a Communist Military Academy, has arrived from the U.S.S.R. in order to take the position of Chief of the Partisan Detachment, with headquarters at Hengtchotze.
The old Kirin Army, supported by an armoured train, commenced to advance on Harbin from Shihntschotze this morning.
Government troops pulled up the railway track near Weishaho, but the track was repaired by the railway authorities. All traffic on the line has been interrupted for nine hours.—*Reuter.*

SOVIET "PRETEXT" ACCUSATION

OUTSPOKEN WARNINGS IN NEWSPAPERS

IMMINENT DANGER

GROWING NERVOUSNESS IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES IN MOSCOW IN CONNEXION WITH WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS THE IMMINENT DANGER OF WAR IN THE FAR EAST, IS PLAINLY EVIDENT.
The Soviet newspapers, which are all under Government control, are becoming daily more outspoken regarding the developments in Manchuria, and they warn Japan that though it may be easy to find a pretext for war, it will be disastrous for Japan if she mistakes the Soviet's desire for peace for inability to fight if the necessity arises.
Official circles allege that the Japanese agents in Manchuria are employing the White Guards to carry out terroristic acts and are then accusing Soviet officials of these acts. It is alleged, in other words, that Japan is trying to force a quarrel on the Soviet.
The newspaper *Pravda* in the course of a bitter criticism of Japanese activities, says that the Soviet millions are ready to oppose any Japanese attempts to convert parts of Soviet territory into a buffer State.
The journal advises Japan to think well before drawing the Soviet into her Manchurian adventure.

MANY ARRESTS.

It is reported that following the Japanese allegation that Soviet agents were responsible for dynamiting the railway, causing the Japanese troop train disaster last week, wholesale arrests of Soviet officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway have been made in the last few days.
The Soviet Government is aware that these arrests are the sequel to the blowing up of the Japanese troop train and warmly deny that the outrage was carried out at the instigation of the Soviet or by Soviet officials.
The Moscow newspapers also publish a report from Tokyo in connexion with the measures taken by the Foreign Commissariat in regard to the Chinese Consul at Hingogeschensk.
The Tokyo message states that a representative of the Japanese Foreign Office interviewed the Tass Agency correspondent and declared: "This measure undoubtedly entirely dissolves suspicions of any connexion between the Soviet and General Ma Chanchan."—*Reuter.*

WOMAN LEADING REBEL FORCE

Calcutta, Apr. 18.
The discovery of a dead pig outside the Mosque of Nuhati, near Calcutta, was followed by a serious outbreak of communal rioting. In the course of which one man was killed and 22 injured. The police made thirty-seven arrests before the disorders were quelled.
The trouble appears to have originated in the refusal of a Hindu landlord to allow his Moslem tenants to sacrifice a cow during the Moslem festival, Bakrid.—*Reuter.*

LEAGUE AND SHANGHAI

RESTORATION OF NORMALITY

NEUTRALS TO GIVE VERDICT

(Our Own Correspondent).
Shanghai, Apr. 19.
While it would be dangerous to jump to conclusions about the peace prospects, the outlook would seem to be brighter to-day than it was, for instance, yesterday.
Mr. Samuel Chang, the Director of the Intelligence and Publicity Department of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, has notified Sir Miles Lampson and Mr. Shigenitsu that Mr. Quo Tai-chi is due to return to Shanghai from Nanking, probably to-day.
Ready To Resume.
Mr. Quo Tai-chi will be ready, says Mr. Chang, to resume the negotiations with the Japanese for cessation of hostilities and the withdrawal of the Japanese forces into the International Settlement.
Sir Miles Lampson has instructed that Mr. Wilton, the French Minister, and Count Ciano, the Italian Charge d'Affaires be informed to this effect.
Hopeful Indications.
It is believed that the Nanking Government has received from Dr. W. W. Yen at Geneva, cables giving hopeful indications regarding the solution of the Shanghai peace problem.
ASSEMBLY DEBATE.
Geneva, April 19.
The Assembly Committee of Nineteen discussed for two hours, two draft resolutions, one of which was submitted by M. Hymans, the chairman, emphasising Point Three of the Shanghai Agreement, namely, that the Japanese troops undertake to withdraw as quickly as possible, and adding that the Mixed Commission at Shanghai should report to the Assembly when normal conditions are restored.
The second resolution was submitted by Dr. Benes for the purpose of strengthening the terms of the Settlement reached at Shanghai.
Both resolutions were referred to the Drafting Committee for the purpose of reconciling them, and it is announced that the Drafting Committee has reached an agreement on the text of a single resolution, with the exception of one point which will need further consideration.
This point concerns the instructions to the Shanghai Mixed Commission and is to the effect that the Commission shall report to the Committee of Nineteen when the restoration of normal conditions allow the withdrawal of the Japanese troops and inform the Committee if the evacuation does not take place.
The date for the next meeting of the Committee has not been fixed.—*Reuter.*

COMMISSION'S TASK.

Arrest by Force.
In any case, the Foreign Minister states, as soon as Dr. Koo leaves the railway zone and sets foot upon soil under the jurisdiction of the Manchukuo Government, he will be arrested by force.
The Note concludes with a request that the Japanese Government, in such an eventuality, will not interfere with the execution of Manchukuo's sovereign right.
Reuter.

THE MENINGITIS OUTBREAK

THIRTY-TWO CASES LAST WEEK

NINE YESTERDAY

Thirty-two cases of meningitis, with twelve deaths, were reported to the health authorities last week. Of these, 19 were from Victoria, nine from Kowloon and four from Aberdeen. One case was imported.
Further nine cases (eight in Victoria and the other in Kowloon) were notified yesterday, when eight cases of small-pox and one of diphtheria (imported) were also reported.
Last week's list also gives 18 cases of small-pox (six deaths), eight of diphtheria (one fatal), and four of typhoid (one fatal), besides 51 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

LAST OF JUNIOR LOCALS

VARSITY DECISION

We are informed by the Registrar of the University of Hongkong that the Council of the University has decided to discontinue the holding of the Junior Local Examination after the examination to be held in November, 1932.



ASKING FOR TROUBLE

AMERICAN IRISH ON WARPATH

"ENGLAND WILL BACK DOWN"

SEZ MR. FORD

WELLINGTON KOO NON PERSONA GRATA

WILL BE ARRESTED

("Telegraph" Special).

Changechun, Apr. 19.
The "Foreign Minister" of the Manchukuo Government has wired to Tokyo declaring definitely that Dr. Wellington Koo, the Assessor nominated by China to co-operate with the League Commission of Inquiry, will not be admitted into Manchukuo regardless of the route he takes.
The Manchukuo authorities request the Japanese Government to consider the advisability of preventing Dr. Wellington Koo from travelling in the Railway Zone which is under Japanese jurisdiction.
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KING'S GODSON MARRIED

THEIR MAJESTIES ATTEND

THE MENINGITIS OUTBREAK

THIRTY-TWO CASES LAST WEEK

NINE YESTERDAY

London, Apr. 18.
The King and Queen to-day attended the wedding at Westminster Abbey of Lord Hyde, the King's godson and heir of the Earl of Clarendon, and the Hon. Marion Glyn, daughter of Lord and Lady Wolverton.
Their Majesties, who signed the marriage register, were loudly cheered by a large crowd outside the Abbey.
Lord Clarendon, who is the Governor-General of South Africa, was unable to leave his official duties but Lady Clarendon travelled from Cape Town to see her son married.
The King and Queen specially drove up from Windsor Castle to attend the ceremony.—*British Wireless and Reuter.*
The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea. Depressions are situated near Vladivostok and Tokyo.
Local forecast: East winds, moderate; cloudy, with mist or fog, probably some rain later.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE.

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A following bid is one made
after an original bid has been made
by one of the opponents and is
often termed a defensive bid. It
shows one and one-half to two and
one-half quick tricks.

If your right hand opponent is
the dealer and opens the bidding,
you should overcall if you hold at
least a biddable four card suit and
one and one-half to two and one-half
quick tricks. If your suit is
a good biddable five-card suit, the
total quick trick requirement of
your hand need not be over one and
one-half tricks, or if you are able
to overcall the opponents' original
bid with a bid of one you can do
so with a four-card biddable suit
and one and one-half quick tricks.
But if you are forced to overcall
with a two bid and have only a
four card suit, your quick trick re-
quirement is two tricks.

If partner was the dealer and
passed, and then your right hand
opponent opened the bidding with
a suit, you must remember that
your partner has denied holding
two and one-half quick tricks and
therefore you should hold at least
two to two and one-half quick
tricks to make an overcall. Other-
wise you may get doubled and set
for a large penalty, or you may
force the opponents into a game-
going declaration. Remember that
if you hold only one and one-half
quick tricks and partner has passed,
there cannot be over three and
one-half quick tricks in your two
hands and it is quite probable that
your opponents have a game-going
declaration.

When opponents open with a
suit that you have stopped twice
and you hold two quick tricks and
no biddable suit of your own, you
should overcall with one no trump.
While the writer advocates a no
trump overcall with definite quick
trick requirements and a strong
informative double, this will be ex-
plained to you in later articles. At
the present time we are dealing
strictly with the straight forcing
system.

In supporting partner's overcall
or following bid, remember that he
may be bidding on a hand a great
deal weaker than is required for
an original bid, therefore you
should hold one more trick to
support partner than is necessary
to support an original bid.

Informative Doubles.

When your right hand opponent
makes an original bid of one and
your hand contains from three to
three and one-half quick tricks,
you should make an informative
double even though you may hold
a biddable suit. This shows part-
ner a strong hand and even though
the hand is trickless, he is required
to take this double out if the left
hand opponent passes. However,
if partner can count on your in-
formative double containing three
to three and one-half tricks, he,
with a strong hand, can pass,
thereby turning the informative
double into a business double
which may be the means of collect-
ing large penalties.

While most authorities agree
that all doubles of original no
trump or suit bids of one and
original suit bids of two are in-
formative, there is some disagree-
ment on doubles of original suit
bids of three. But if you use
the high trick requirement as out-
lined above, partner can easily
use his own judgment on doubles
of three.

All doubles of two no trump are
business doubles.

Partner shall respond to in-
formative doubles as follows:

Holding one stopper in the suit
doubled and at least one quick
trick and no biddable suit, the
correct response is one no trump.

Holding no stopper in the suit
doubled and no biddable four-card

THE MONTESSORI SYSTEM.

FATHER BYRNE'S LECTURE
AT UNIVERSITY.

A most informative address on
Dr. Montessori's pioneer work in
educative reform was delivered
last night by Father G. Byrne, S.
J., to a gathering of the University
Education Society.

Father Byrne entitled his lecture
"A lady doctor opens the class-
room windows." He said:

Some years ago, at a meeting of
the National Association of School-
masters in England, a resolution
was passed that all boys over seven
should be taught exclusively by
men. In the discussion of the mo-
tion someone appealed to brutal
statistics: It was impossible; there
were not enough men teachers to
do it. I do not remember the de-
tails of the discussion, but I am
sure that an examination of wo-
man's energetic work in educational
reform was not in the forefront.
Yet, it ought to have been.

It is much easier to discover the
pioneer in the realm of execution
than in the realm of thought.
There are few ideas in the educa-
tional world, which we are inclined
to call modern, that have not been
enunciated long ago. We talk
about education of the senses, about
self-activity as if they were new
ideas. In the thirteenth century St.
Thomas Aquinas, in a treatise *On
The Teacher*, insists on the teacher's
knowledge of the mental
processes, the functions of the
senses, emotions, feelings to assist
the pupil in the unfolding of his
young powers, for learning is
"growth in self-activity. It is no
more imparting; it is rather sug-
gestion and direction, by which the
mind is prompted to exert its na-
tural power" in the normal ways.

Senses, imagination, memory co-
operate. Indeed they account for
individual differences in mental
capacity. Vigour of mind cor-
responds to soundness of body, so
that the healthier organism ensures
superior intellectual attainment.
"There is a very modern ring about
those words. We may find similar
ideas repeated by Locke in his
Thoughts Concerning Education.
But, or in Rousseau's *Emile*. But,
somehow, when we enter the class-
rooms, we find them heavy with the
hot air of theory and we begin to
wish that some practical teacher
would open the windows! It is
just here that a woman has often
come to the rescue and made us
realize that when an idea, whether
political or religious, goes down
from the mind of man to the heart
of a woman, and becomes a senti-
ment—thought inspired by feeling
—its power to resist all opposition
and to triumph over every difficulty,
is increased a hundredfold. Is not
this the reason that Rousseau says
in *Emile* "Men will always be what
women wish them to be."

One would like to be able to trace
the work of women like St. Lioba,
Thecla, Walburga of the 8th cen-
tury, or of Dodana, Odilla, Hilde-
garde bringing us up to the 12th,
and compare it with the efforts of
more recent workers, like Mary
Lyon whose courage triumphed
over the public ridicule of what
the press termed her "rib-factory"
and made people realize that

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major suit, the best suit in the
hand must be bid.

With two quick tricks and a
major suit containing at least king
jack x x a jump bid should be
made to show partner that your
hand does contain some high card
tricks. While this jump bid is
not a forcing bid on partner, it
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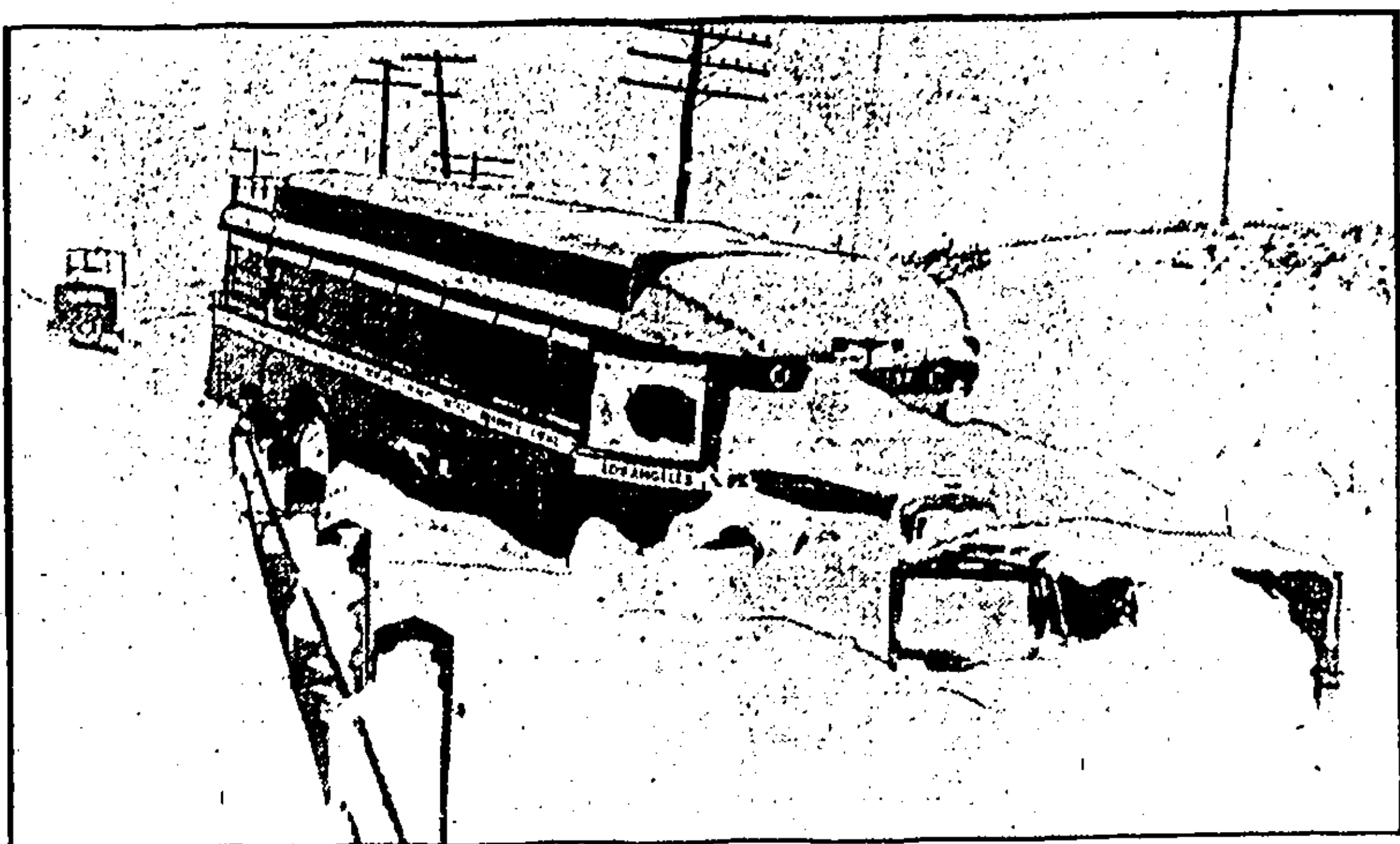


Walk Right In!

By Small



Once a world-famous work of art—now a jumble of wreckage. Throughout Europe a search is being conducted for the vandals who broke into the Cathedral of Valencia, stole all the jewels on the statue "Purissima," and then knocked the statue down with the destruction pictured here.



The heavy blizzard that swept across the United States recently close on the heels of the mildest winter in years took a heavy toll in traffic accidents caused by blinding snow and blocked highways. This picture shows a small sedan almost submerged in snow after it had been struck head-on by a bus and hurled into a ditch on the Buffalo-Olean highway near Chaffee, N. Y.



Police have suggested that kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby might trim his hair in an effort to disguise him. Here an artist has retouched a recent photograph of the child to show how he would appear without his familiar flaxen curls.



It's a royal sport, is skiing! Above is Princess Mary Jose, wife of Prince Umberto of Italy, enjoying the international contests at Cortina D'Ampezzo. And—



here is Prince Humberto himself, at the same Italian resort. Heir to the throne of his country, he's also one of its best known sportsmen.

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAYTON

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Beautiful Ellen Rossiter, a schoolgirl in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her mother, Molly Rossiter, her sister, Myra, and her young brother, Mike. Molly foolishly spends money saved to pay the rent. Steven Barclay, a man of 27 and Ellen's employer, lends her an evening dress and she can secure a job dancing nights at Dreamland.

At the dance hall she meets handsome Larry Harrowgate, an artist, and accepts his invitation to tea next day. Barclay sends her roses. Distressed that the gift is not from Larry, Ellen quarrels with her mother and sister, who openly favour the wealthy Barclay. Myra shows her a newspaper announcement of Larry's engagement to Elizabeth Rossiter, a debutante, friend of her mother's.

Ellen breaks her tea date with him. She also returns the dress to Barclay and is distressed to see that he has no intention of dropping their friendship.

Still heartbroken over Larry she returns the next night to Dreamland.

CHAPTER X

Ellen knocked at the door of Steven Barclay's office at five minutes past one. Under her arm, carefully wrapped in tissue paper, was the ivory taffeta dress. There had been time enough, after all, for her to pick up the borrowed dress before going on to the store.

That morning in the basement had been no worse than any summer morning. But it had seemed to Ellen that the morning would never end, and had seemed to her that before the slow hands of the clock dragged to 1 o'clock she would be dead of suffocation. The morning had ended; she was not dead, even though she felt that there was no particular reason for continuing to live. Life was tiresome and completely colourless.

She tried to convince herself that Larry had been only a casual infatuation but she could not forget how different the morning would have been if only she had not read a newspaper clipping, if only the day could have gone as she had dreamed it would. Even the fact that she was clinging on the "big boss," that he had sent her flowers, things which only the day before would have left her trembling with excitement, seemed dull and unimportant and completely colourless.

She knocked again. Barclay's secretary, Ruth Tevis, a plain girl whose plainness was heightened by heavy eye-glasses, opened the door.

"Mr. Barclay had to go out for a minute," she said, peering over the tortoise shell frames of her spectacles. "He told me to ask you to wait if you will."

When Ellen was seated in the dim, cool office with the dress over her lap, the secretary began fussing unnecessarily and a trifle officiously with the flowers on the rosewood desk, rearranging them, plucking a leaf here and there and sliding the slender crystal vases an inch nearer the centre. She moved a pile of typed letters, awaiting Barclay's signature, to the left of the desk, then back to the right again.

"You were here yesterday, weren't you?" she asked casually.

"Yes," Ellen replied.

She wished the other girl wouldn't stare so. The steady, near-sighted regard of those pale eyes was making her uneasy and nervous, unsure of herself. Ruth Tevis cleared her throat and opened her mouth to ask another question, Ellen was sure—just as Steven entered.

He said impersonally to Ellen, "I'm sorry I kept you waiting, Miss Rossiter."

And to the secretary, "I'll call you if I need you, Miss Tevis."

His words were a dismissal. With a dissatisfied glance at Ellen, Miss Tevis turned and went into her own office. As if by accident she managed to leave the adjoining door a trifle ajar but Barclay rose and closed it.

"Miss Tevis, I'm afraid," he remarked with a twinkle in his eye and an entire change of manner, "is beginning to be curious."

Ellen went directly to the point. She was, to tell the truth, vaguely disturbed. The secretary's attitude had in a small way served to confirm her mother's pleased insistence, her own secret fears of the morning. It was possible, it was more than possible that Barclay's interest in her was more than friendly. Certainly there had been a note of intimacy in his voice after the door had closed, a light intimation that both of them were in league to defeat the secretary's curiosity.

She intended to avoid complications of that sort.

"I've brought back the dress," she began, as she leaned forward and laid the box on his desk. "I can't tell you how much I appreciated using it. And the flowers were lovely. They've made our apartment into a florist shop. I've never seen lovelier ones."

"Did you like them?" Barclay exclaimed, deeply pleased and missing entirely her subtle, gracious air of withdrawal. "I hope they didn't wake you when they arrived this morning. But I was determined you should have them before you left for the store."

He was like a young boy, wistfully anxious for praise at his cleverness. Ellen did not stint her praise. It was abundant she thought, even as she thanked him, that she could give a man like Steven Barclay such pleasure.

He was looking down at the dress.

"I'm sorry you've returned it so soon," he remarked with a shade of disappointment. "I'd hoped you'd keep it a long time."

"Mother bought me one yesterday afternoon," Ellen said casually. "Nothing like so beautiful as this but more suitable for Dreamland."

"I didn't think of that," he admitted. "But I do hope everything went all right."

Ellen felt an inextricable net closing around her. Yesterday she had, in that unfortunate burst of confidence, told him so much that to-day it seemed unfriendly to become remote and impersonal. It was impossible. So she painted Dreamland for him with very light strokes. She made it a place almost pleasant, determined above all that he should not tell her of her first unpleasant encounter nor did she, of course, mention Larry Harrowgate. She told an amusing, if underemphasized story, of Jacob Salomon, of Tony, of the other hostesses. But Barclay felt, she knew, a lack of spontaneity.

"I'm sorry you have to work so hard," he said slowly when her story was finished. "Glad it won't be for long. Now of course," he said looking straight into her candid, youthful eyes, "now that everything's going so well you won't need to see me any more, will you?"

"Certainly, I will," Ellen said quickly. "If you want to see me."

She could not have him believing she was like that.

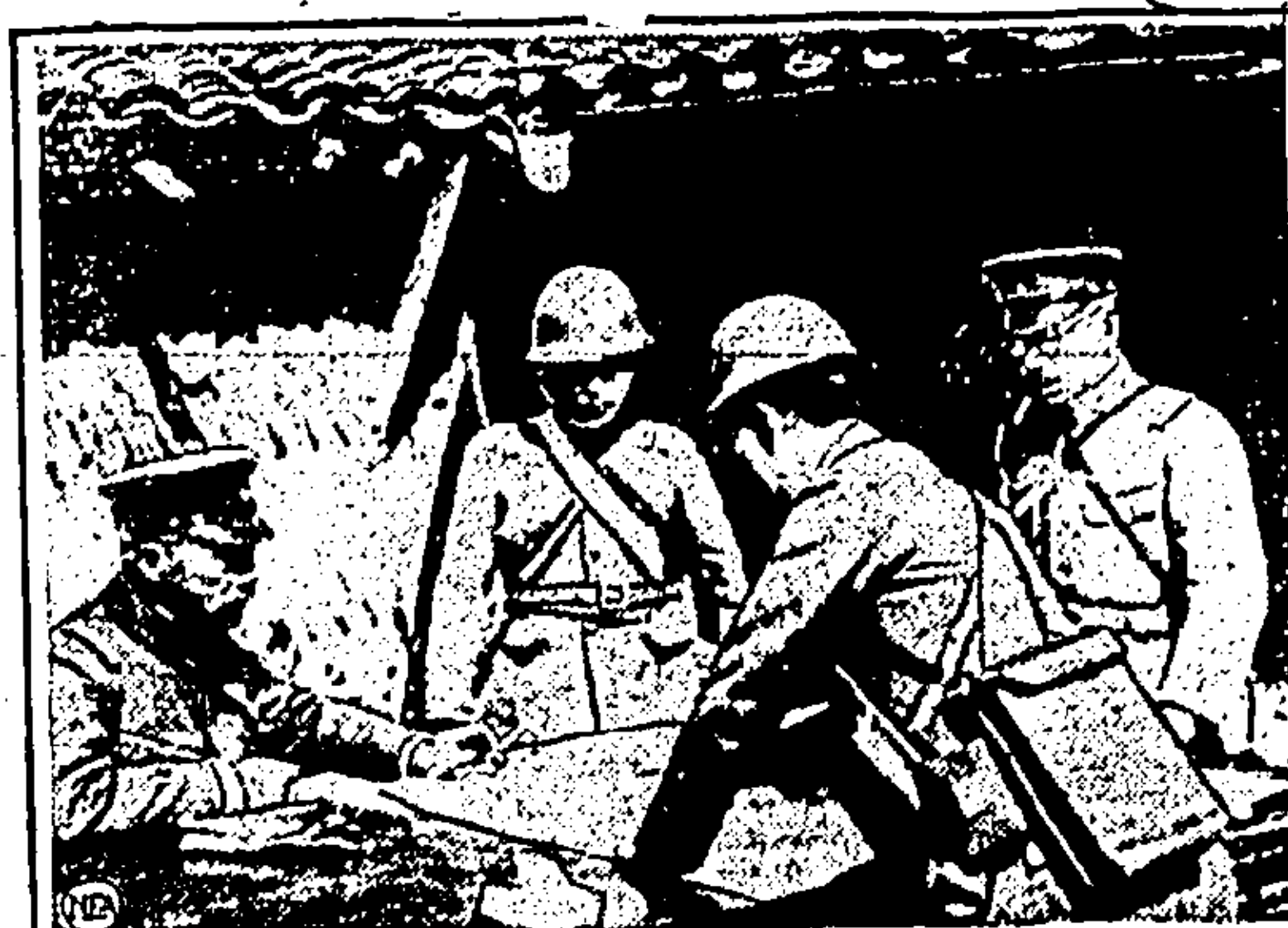
"Then come to lunch with me," he suggested, unable to conceal his pleased relief at her answer.

"I'm awfully sorry but I have some errands for Mother."

She really did have, too.

"But you will some other time?" "Of course."

It was impossible for a Rossiter to be tepid. Ellen saw with dismay that he had misinterpreted her instinctive graciousness.



War umbrellas, for centuries an important bit of equipment of Chinese soldiers, are still used by the defending army in Shanghai. Modern Japanese used shell-proof dugouts. Picture shows Lieutenant General Kankichi Uyeda, commanding Japanese army detachment, in conference with aides.

Worse than that, she was harried by fear that he might think she was coquetting with him, refusing a first invitation so that he would more thoroughly appreciate her acceptance of a second. And she must accept the second one. She had promised. As she rose, feeling helpless and uncertain, he spoke again.

"I've thought a lot about that young brother, Mike. How is he?"

"Just as usual," Ellen smiled.

"He woke me this morning by dropping his kitten on my face."

"I'd like to meet him sometime—and your mother."

"You must—sometime."

She left his office in a disturbed frame of mind. She was no calmer when she observed that Ruth Tevis opened the door of the adjoining office and stared after her as she hurried to the elevator. If only Steven Barclay were less kind, if only he were a different sort of man from the generous and natural person he was, how easily she could solve that particular problem. How could she snub a man from whom she had accepted favours, a man whom she was determined not to hurt unless hurting him was the only way out?

Ellen went to a movie that afternoon. She sat through two presentations of the same silly, sentimental picture but afterward she remembered nothing of the film except that the hero turned his head sometimes in a way reminding her

of Larry Harrowgate. There was, unfortunately for her peace of mind, an illuminated clock visible to the audience. She watched the clock instead of the picture.

As the hands came closer and closer to 4, the hour she was to have met Larry for tea, she found that it took all her resolution to keep from walking out of the theatre and hastening to the hotel where she had promised to meet him.

Four-fifteen. Larry would be wondering where she was, why she didn't come. Perhaps if she

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JOTTINGS.

Up to the present, no petticoat has appeared, although skirt-hems are often trimmed with a wide flounce. Umbrella skirts have reappeared, and a wide belt gives the figure a suggestion of added slenderness which is very pretty.

White accessories, in the shape of flowers, belts, gloves, and trimmings bring a freshness to the mode.

Good dressing this season is not distinguished by everything to match. That idea belongs to yesterday. A two-colour scheme is now demanded. This is achieved

FOR THE CHILDREN.

Any child will appreciate a nightdress or pyjama case which takes the form of a large white cat, or a fat white hen. These cases are made of fluffy lambs' wool, with a back of quilted satin in a pastel shade. They may be used equally well as handkerchief cases.

by the blouse or dress with a lighter top or yoke, by two colour scarves worn twisted, and by coloured under-skirts with transparent drosses.

BEAUTY HINTS.

[By Alicia Hart.]

Exercise is a little bit like saving money. It is not the amount accomplished at a given time that counts, but that day-by-day habit that accumulates something worth while.

I know a woman almost 70 who is as limber as most women of 30. She can stoop, bend, walk, dance with never a creak to indicate the brittleness that sometimes comes with age.

For over 10 years, this woman told me, she has done 10 minutes of exercise both morning and night. Just 20 minutes a day but she claims never to have missed a single day, except the few times she was flat on her back with illness, and those have been fewer in her life than the average.

She has always centred all her attention during exercising on that through-the-ribs area of her body. She stretches, bends, sways, shakes each leg a few times and draws herself up out of her hips by various exercises. The limberness of her spine testifies to the efficacy of her regime. But her daily application mustn't be overlooked.

After stretching mornings and evenings, the next step in exercising is to shake up the body from the hips. With your hands still holding onto each other above the head, swing your arms and shoulders first to one side, then to the other, so that you twist your body from the waistline. This gives the old liver a kick. Most livers need it, like it and work much better for it.

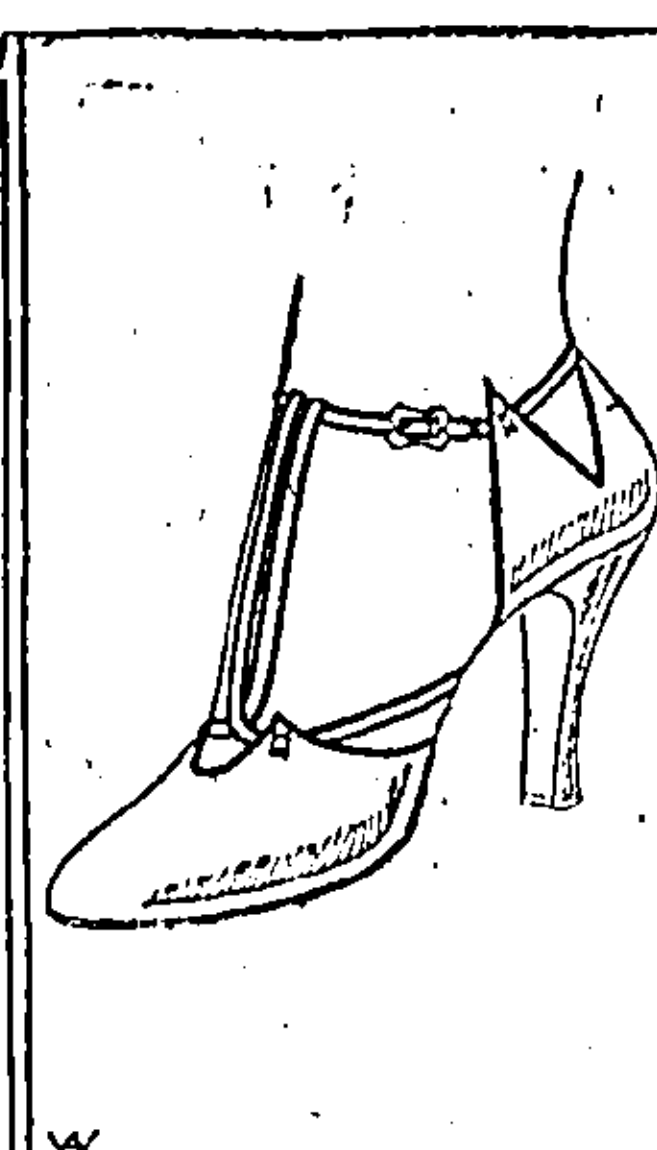
Next, stand on one leg and lift the other, knee flexed, keeping your backbone straight, and try to touch your breast bone with your knee. The best way to do it is to grab your knee with your hands and help it up. Keep your mind on your back or you'll just naturally bend over to help yourself reach your knee. That is the wrong way to get this exercise done.

Hug each knee to your chest about ten times, always with the toes of the foot pointed down.

CHILDREN'S WORK BAGS.

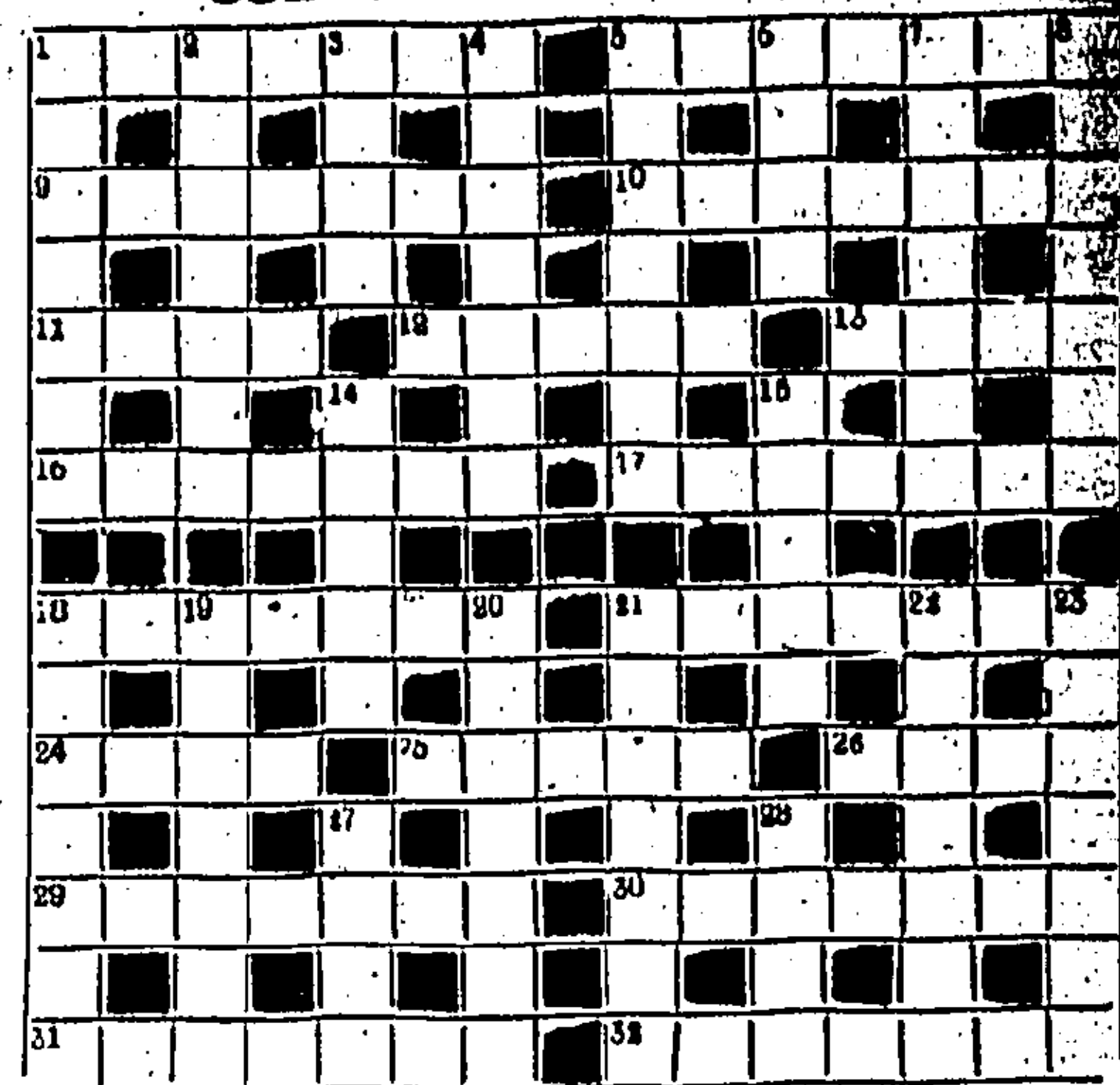
Every little girl will want one of the new work bags made of basket work and taffeta. The base of each bag is of basket work, coloured to match the taffeta, and the top, which pulls up by the strings, is of the taffeta in various pretty shades.

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This shoe was seen at a recent showing of spring styles. It is an intricately cut sandal in beige kid with brown piping.

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- Across
- The age up in a parcel and that's just what it will be.
 - One of the Reds—but not necessarily Russian.
 - Neptune is the lord of all such matters.
 - A State in which to find the goddess of the chisel.
 - prays devoutly when it prays for — (Hood, "Hero and Leander").
 - Depression.
 - Bricks ready for burning may be made to join.
 - I saved this from the wreck.
 - Walked wearily.
 - Sprinkled with drops, a garden fruit assumed the ascendancy.
 - To leave one's charge by the side of the road is, most distinctly, capricious.
 - Regrets calling the stratagem to mind.
 - Flower with a divided tip.
 - Opens in a poetic way.
 - Unouth.
 - There's something very peculiar about such a period of years.
 - This man was always finding fault in "The Boarding House" in "Pickwick Papers." You can almost hear him to-day in Westminster Abbey.
 - A water-fowl that is in complete harmony with a pigeon.
- Down
- As the Midland schoolboy wrote in his essay on dogs, "It was raining cats and dogs and the road was covered with —."
 - Garden pot-herb.
 - The girl who is always short of a tanner.
 - Shut out.
 - Cut off, darling, and find a little piece.

- An opera that may be understood with some assistance.
- Follow your inclination and be correct.
- Brought up to be taken by rail.
- Full yourself together, in friend, after the letter.
- Riverside objects that suggest locks.
- An instructive story.
- One letter above another spell this little flower.
- Title of a Frenchman of high rank from 1349 to 1830.
- A quick swelling that is, however, depressed by the least thing.
- As there are no snakes in Ireland, to say that one confronts the Irish is to slander.
- Nicodemus Boffin was a golden example.
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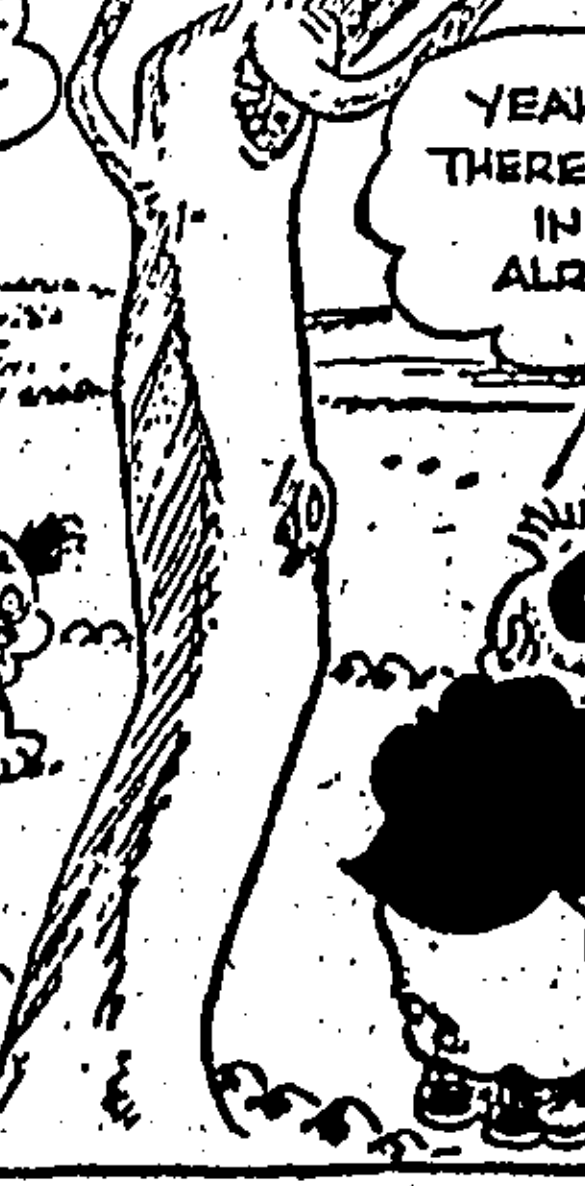
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**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 1932.

**RUSSO-JAPANESE
TENSION**

Whatever may happen in Shanghai—and the portents at the moment seem a trifle brighter—there seems every probability, as a foreign traveller just arrived in Shanghai from Harbin suggests, that the Far East spotlight will shortly be switched to Manchuria. The chaotic conditions prevailing there, coupled with mutual suspicions on the part of Japan and Russia, do seem to indicate that we are on the eve of serious developments. Indeed, there is, in some quarters, open talk of the possibility of a Russo-Japanese conflict, which, if it came, would completely overshadow anything that has occurred in the Far East for many years past. Whilst there is, so far as the layman can see, no real reason why these two nations should resort to war, the fact cannot be overlooked that the tension between the two has lately increased to a marked degree, accompanied by a deal of sabre-rattling which bodes no good.

Apart from any other causes for friction, it cannot be doubted that Russia is jealous of Japan's growing hold on Manchuria, apparently fearing that she has territorial ambitions which may be prejudicial to the Soviet's interests. There are constant references in the Soviet press, also, to Japanese intrigue with "White" Russians, and, turn where one will, there is apparent an obsession that Japan has evil designs on Russia. Only a few days ago, there appeared in *Investia*, the official Soviet organ, an article warning "Japanese Imperial adventurers" of the folly of aggravating Russia. The writer of this article asserted that those Japanese who are plotting to strain relations between the two countries will involve their country in a struggle in which it will inevitably meet defeat. "The U.S.S.R.," said this writer, "will, in case of danger, place under arms sufficient millions fully to protect all its frontiers. . . . We know that a war would cause the greatest distress to our own and the Japanese people, but we also know that in such a struggle the Japanese ruling classes would find their grave. . . . The road of the U.S.S.R. is clear and simple. As the representative of the interests of the toilers, it does not want war. If challenged to battle, it will have the right to seek temporary allies among those capitalist Powers which at the present stage do not threaten its borders, and its interests. The U.S.S.R. will fight, and it will be supported

by all that is best in humanity, by the toilers of the whole world, who know that the Soviet Union is fighting for the peace and welfare of all mankind." This is a typical article, in line with much that is being issued at present from the Soviet press, reflecting an outlook which suggests that Russia is determined to resist anything which smacks of Japanese aggression.

When we take further into account the reported massing of Soviet troops along the Manchurian border, and when it is stated that Japan is ready to make any sacrifice to retain Manchuria, even war with Russia and the United States, it becomes clear that the situation is full of ugly possibilities. Both sides appear at the moment to be suspicious of each other, and when relations between countries assume that complexion, it does not require a great deal to fan the embers into fire. It would be a world calamity were Russia and Japan to cross swords, yet further complicating a Far Eastern situation which is already sufficiently threatening and acute. But history shows that mutual suspicion and recrimination often lead to graver developments. Let us hope that in this instance there will be no such upshot. Peace, and not war, is what the East and, indeed, the whole world, has need to pray for.

Straight Lines in Furniture

By report from France, all is not well with the furniture industry, which, some years ago, went "modern" in style and is now dubious about the economic result. A new unornamented and geometrically designed kind of furniture was produced, attracting the attention of household decorators the world over, inspiring illustrated articles in magazines and newspapers, outmoding earlier styles, and promising happy days for furniture makers. The oddity, and often the charm, of the new furniture stirred early enthusiasm, but—here comes the rub—its essentials consist in materials and combination. By adopting plain surfaces and straight lines the new furniture eliminated much of the craftsmanship that had given France the world's leadership in the making of furniture. There is no further need for the wood carver and the cabinet-maker, and a writer in *Le Figaro* has predicted that several trades hitherto largely dependent on the furniture industry will presently vanish. Criticism comes, however, from more widely diffused sources than any single observer composing an article for a magazine. Many dire events have been prophesied in such articles that happily did not come to pass. But complaint is also reported from the *Chambre Syndicale* (trade union) of furniture, from the *Chambre Syndicale* of bronze workers, from the manufacturers themselves, and from the association of apprentices in the furniture industry. It is easy to understand that the manufacturers are seriously disturbed by a falling off in the exportation of furniture which, when analysed, indicates that the new furniture is all too conveniently easy for foreign manufacturers to produce by importing and copying French models. The art and mystery of fine furniture work, not easy to imitate, and now so largely abandoned, was what had given the French product a commanding position. The associations of workers see the situation from another angle, and are apprehensive of being compelled to choose between unemployment or a different means of livelihood. On the other hand, and this is of hope to the workers, there are signs of reaction against expression of modernism, already described by some critics as an "excess of simplicity" which is no more desirable than excess of anything else.

**DOLLAR DOWN A
FARTHING
SILVER DECLINE
REFLECTED.**

The Hongkong dollar continues to be erratic, moving in sympathy with silver variations. This morning it dropped a farthing to 1s. 2½d. Inter-bank business has been done at about 1s. 2½d., but the market has an easy undertone. Silver declined 5/16ths in London, spot and forward. America and China sold, while the Continent and speculators were buyers on a quiet market. After the official fixing, the market ruled quietly steady, with America not operating.

New York reports a drop of a quarter in silver, with the market steady. Silver futures are also down.

DAY BY DAY

IN THE PRACTICAL WORK DONE IN MUNICIPAL LIFE A MAN GETS A QUICKER RETURN THAN FROM WORK DONE IN PARLIAMENT.—*Roschberg.*

Mrs. G. S. Archbutt was among the passengers who left by the N.S. Changto to-day.

His Excellency the Governor is holding an investiture at Government House on Monday, May 2nd, at 10.50 a.m.

The P. and O. liner Chitral, which arrives here from Singapore at noon to-morrow, sails for Shanghai at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

H.M.S. Devonshire, at Amoy, reports that the situation there is quiet. A number of refugees have arrived in Amoy from Chungking.

The final dance of the season will be given by the Chero Club at Lane Crawford's Restaurant, Exchange Building, on Monday, April 25, at 8.30 p.m.

The Central Fire Brigade received a call about 2 p.m. yesterday from the Colonial Secretary's Office, which proved to be a false alarm, as the ringing of the C.S.O. fire alarm bell in the Brigade office was due to a fault in the electrical mechanism.

Mr. Charles Chaplin and his brother, Mr. Syd, Chaplin, are expected to return to Singapore from their visit to Java and Bali on the 22nd and will leave for Hongkong and Japan by the Hakozaki Maru on the 24th inst. Mr. Charles Chaplin was so interested in Bali that he decided to spend an extra week there.

What was described as an unserviceable revolver was produced before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. When Detective Sergeant Lamont applied for the confiscation of the weapon. In making the application, Sergeant Lamont said the revolver was found by a scavenger coiled in a side channel at Soy Street, and handed over to a Chinese detective, who was passing at the time. His Worship ordered the weapon to be confiscated.

**HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.****OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.**

The fall in the sterling value of the dollar failed to act as an incentive towards more liveliness in the market, and conditions this morning were still on the dull side.

Sales.
Hongkong Bank \$1550.
Union Insurance \$470.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15½/15.15.
Hongkong Tram \$21.55/21.60.
Hongkong Electric \$74.
Constructions (New) \$1.85.
Govt. Loans 3½% Premium.

Buyers.
Hongkong Bank \$1540.
Union Insurance \$465.
Douglases \$20.
Bonguet \$45.
Wharves \$43½.
Providents (New) \$24.
Chinese Estates \$95½.
Bonguet Explorations 29 cts.
Hongkong Tram \$21½.
Yamutai Ferries \$35½.
China Lights (Old) \$20½.
Macao Electric \$24½.
Cements (Combined) \$18½.
Lane, Crawford (Old) \$5.60.
Amusements \$22½.
Constructions (New) \$1.80.
Govt. Loans 3½% Premium.

Sellers.
S. C. Enterprises \$10.
Constructions (Old) \$5.60.

**DO NOT MEDDLE
IN THE FAR EAST!
A WARNING TO
BELLIGERENT PACIFISTS**

PEACE there will be in the Far East, a sort of a kind of a peace, which might be called Pax Japonica. That is to say, the Japanese generals will make many low bows and civil speeches to the Lytton Commission; they will discuss the whole situation; they will even withdraw their troops; they will pay certain indemnities for proved damage. But—and this is the point—Japan will remain in possession of Manchuria to-day, to-morrow, the day after, and until some stronger military Power dislodges her.

To Japan the League of Nations stands for Europe, and Japan has not forgotten how Europe robbed her of the fruits of victory in 1895. Manchuria was a part or appendage of the Chinese empire, and gave its name to the dynasty which fell in 1912. The year 1895 saw the victory of Japan in the Sino-Japanese war, and Manchuria was taken by the victor.

But to Russia this seemed too rich a prize for the contemptible little nation that inhabited a small island. With the help—at any rate, with the benevolent acquiescence—of France and Great Britain, Russia proceeded to take Manchuria away from Japan. Then the Japanese, with that intense patriotism and tenacity of purpose which are their characteristics, set to work for ten years to build up a strong navy and army.

Not To Be Fooled Again.

By 1905 they knew themselves strong enough to challenge the bully of the East. Japan crumpled Russia up, and retook Manchuria, whose enormous agricultural and mineral wealth the Japanese have developed ever since. Japan will not be fooled a second time; having beaten Russia, she is not likely to be wheedled or frightened out of Manchuria by the League of Nations. Should the gem of the Far East be internationalised and divided up between the Western Powers, when Japan has fairly acquired the country by her own valour and intelligence, and done for it what China has failed to do?

The so-called Chinese Empire is broken up, and has politically ceased to exist. All the king's horses and all the king's men cannot get Humpty-Dumpty together again; for 97 per cent. of the Chinese people are illiterate, though they are industrious and ingenious workmen. There are more than 70 war lords all over China, fighting one another for loot. Chiang Kai-shek, the self-elected President of the so-called National Government of China, has his headquarters at Nanking, which has a population of seven millions, about a sixtieth of the total population of China.

100-miles Radius of Power.

The radius of the National Government's power is about 100 miles, and although Chiang Kai-shek is for the time in alliance with Feng, the so-called Christian general, no one can tell how long the combination will last. To talk of the tiny republic of Nanking as the capital of China is ludicrous. There

is no Chinese Government with whom any one can treat.

Great Britain is just now in a very precarious position. In the Far East, and our belligerent pacifists had better be careful how they lecture and provoke Japan, which has the finest artillery at the moment, and every branch of army, navy, and air force highly trained, and concentrated in the tiny sea of Japan within 48 hours' steam of Shanghai. The British forces by land, sea and air are scattered all round the world, while the forces of the other Powers are negligible. The Mikado is absolute master of the situation.

The Americans hate and fear the Japanese, who dislike and despise the Americans. Japan is the one country upon whose policy America has failed to impress its will and prestige. The vapouring and scurrilous American Press and its hectoring politicians merely excite the smiles of the Japanese, who are fatuous enough to consider their Emperor a greater man than the President of the United States.

The Guam Incident.

In 1918 the Americans took over the island of Guam, about the size of Malta, where they intended to make a harbour big enough to take the entire American Navy.

But Japan was clever enough to carry a resolution at the Washington Conference that there should be no more constructional activity in the Pacific; so Guam had to be scrapped. They tried to get us to stop our work at Singapore. There are no spots on Japanese diplomacy. Now I hear, on good authority, that the United States has made up its mind to get out of the Philippines. Will Japan take them? And if that should lead to war between America and Japan, will not Great Britain be forced into it on the side of the United States?

It is a terrible contingency, but not so improbable or remote as might be thought by those who have not watched the decline of England and the rise of Japan in the Far East. Sasebo, the Japanese Portsmouth, is 1,500 miles from Guam, and there is no restriction of naval activity in those dockyards.

According to all accounts the Chinese has many likeable and admirable qualities. He loves a laugh, and you can do much with him by appealing to his sense of humour. His power of work is very great, he never grumbles, and within limits is a valuable servant. The educated middle-class Chinaman, the cashier, the contractor, is among the most competent and honest in the world.

Ancestor Worship Ideals.

Per contra, the Chinese masses are detestably cruel, and they have no sense of national unity, organisation, or patriotism. They are quite contented to live as their ancestors have lived for the last 3,000 years. They envisage a future world as a place of re-union with their relatives, and Chinese ancestor-worship has always seemed to me a more respectable and amiable delusion than the contempt for their predecessors affected by Western democrats.

Whether the Chinese will ever break through the cake of custom it is impossible to say. As things look now, the best thing for the civilisation and commerce of the world, in my judgment, would be for the Japanese to develop, organise and administer China, as England has organised and administered India. The difficulties would not be so great, as though they speak a different language, Chinese and Japanese are both of Mongolian stock.

Such a policy would be a check-mate to Bolshevism. Whether it is feasible or not, nothing can be more foolish than to quarrel with Japan to please America; or more odious than to raise the colour bar in order to support the tyranny of trades unions in the Antipodes.

A. A. B.

SUGAR MARKET.**THE LATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS.**

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-
troth and Co.

London Terminals

August 1932 4/7½ down 1½d.
December 1932 4/11½ down 1½d.
March 1933 5/2½ down 1½d.
May 1933 5/¾ down 1½d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ½d-¾d more.

New York Terminals

May 1932 .59 down 4 pts.
July 1932 .67 down 4 pts.
September 1932 .74 down 3 pts.
December 1932 .81 down 3 pts.
March 1933 .88 down 4 pts.

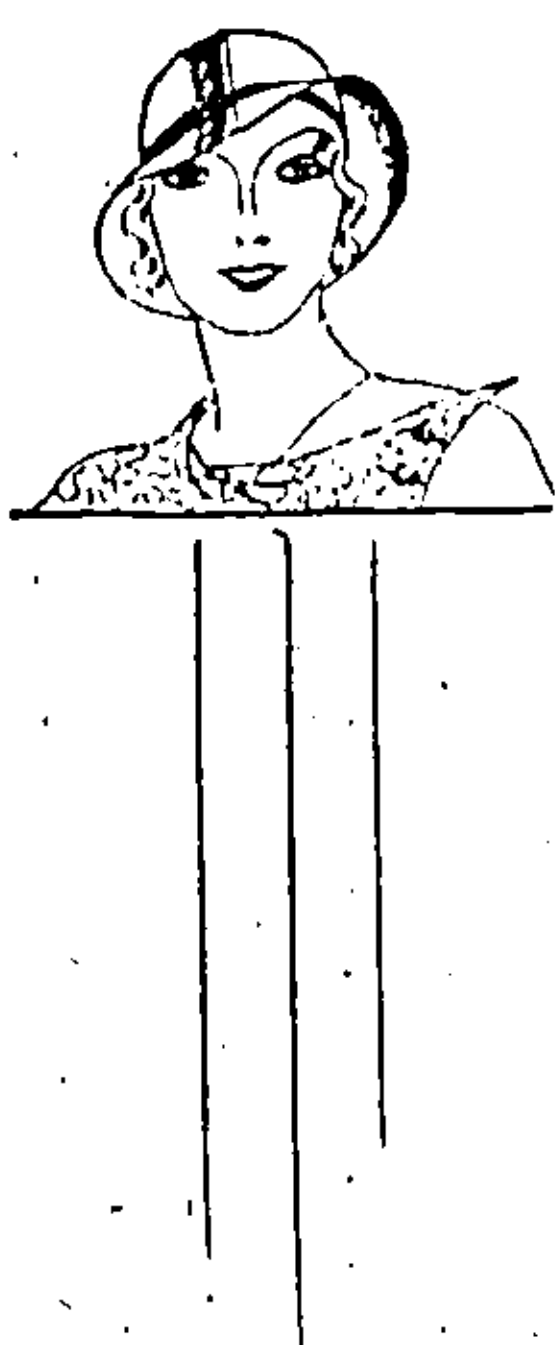
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PRICE CUTTING
SEQUELARREEMENT AND AN
ALLEGED CLAIM

DAMAGES CLAIM

Ruthless price cutting by two local firms, rival dealers in fancy materials, a subsequent agreement to avoid competition, and an alleged breach of the contract, formed the subject matter of the opening address of Mr. F. C. Jenkin when he appeared at the Supreme Court today on behalf of Messrs. Pinguet & Co., No. 5, Queen's Road Central, in a claim against Messrs. Compagnie Optique of Shanghai, and Princes Building, Hongkong.

The case is before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp), Mr. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Mr. J. T. Prior of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appearing for the plaintiffs, Mr. Elden Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. D. B. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, being for the defendants.

Plaintiffs are suing the Compagnie Optique for damages for breach of contract concerning the prices of fancy suitings, the agreement between the parties having relation to the independent sale by the parties to local dealers of a specified quality of fancy suitings manufactured by, and to be independently ordered by, the parties from Messrs. Rondon of Paris, when it was agreed that plaintiffs would sell at a price of \$4.80 per yard, and the defendant at \$4.85 per yard. In breach of the agreement, defendants are alleged to have sold at \$4.70 per yard, which the plaintiffs suffered damage in that they were unable to sell 20,700 yards at a higher price than \$4.65. But for the breach, plaintiffs could have sold at \$4.80. The claim is for \$3,165 being the difference between the sale at \$4.80 and \$4.65 a yard.

The defendants deny the agreement alleged to have been made between the parties, and further state that if such an agreement was made there was no consideration for such agreement. They deny plaintiffs have suffered any damage.

Ruthless Cutting.

Mr. Jenkin, in opening the case, spoke of the competition existing between the two firms and said that in 1927 it had become so intense, that both firms were selling at practically no profit whatever. In the winter of 1927, a Mr. Delcourt, manager of defendant firm, apparently realising the stupidity of continuing cutting each other's throats in this manner, approached Mr. Pinguet's firm to get him to agree to cease under-selling.

Mr. Pinguet agreed to reduce the under-cutting, but reserved liberty to undersell at five cents a yard cheaper than the defendants. This was agreed. The agreement was carried out by both firms engaging their own broker to go round the market bringing back to their respective employers, offers made in the market. This arrangement between Mr. Delcourt and Mr. Pinguet was quite private. They then compared the offers by the brokers, and upon them set a basis for their prices. The result was that if Mr. Delcourt's figures were agreed upon, plaintiffs would make their price five cents lower, and if Mr. Pinguet's price was taken, then the defendant's price would be set at five cents more. The arrangement took effect in 1928, the result being one of entire satisfaction to both parties.

1929 Agreement

In 1929, Mr. Delcourt again approached Mr. Pinguet on the matter and the prices fixed for the year were defendants \$4.50 and plaintiffs \$4.55 per yard. Another man, a Chinese dealer, had come into the market, having secured similar material from a German agency in Hamburg, but he did not last long, as the manufacturers refused to allow the agent to deal in the material.

Early in 1930, Mr. Delcourt again approached Mr. Pinguet in order to fix the prices for the ensuing season. Mr. Jenkin thought that he should mention that there were two quantities of material, a No. 1 and a No. 2, though in this case they were only concerned with the No. 2. On February 25, Mr. Delcourt went to Mr. Pinguet's office and they had a long discussion as to the prices to be fixed. The first point was as to the price of the No. 1 quality, the second point being as to whether or not Mr. Delcourt would make a similar arrangement regarding the No. 2 material, and thirdly as to the question of Mr. Delcourt selling the No. 2 quality at such a low price as to impair the position in the market of the No. 1 quality.

A letter was sent the following day by Mr. Pinguet to Mr. Delcourt confirming both the discussion and a telephone conversation on the

VILLAGE ROAD
MURDERHEARING DATES NOW
FIXED.

Special precautions to prevent overcrowding had to be taken by the Court Officials at the Central Magistracy this morning when Cheng Kwok-yau, arrested in connexion with the murder of George Fung at Village Road, Happy Valley, made another appearance before Mr. Wynne Jones.

Long before the sitting of the Court large numbers of Chinese of both sexes flocked into the courtroom, but steps were taken by the officials to prevent admission of more people than could be comfortably accommodated, with a result that after all available room was occupied, police officers were posted at the doorway to refuse further admission.

Mr. T. Murphy (Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation) appeared for the prosecution together with Chief Detective Inspector A. N. Reynolds and Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton represented the prisoner.

His Worship (to Mr. Murphy):—You are in a position to fix a date now?

Mr. Murphy:—Yes, your Worship. I have been instructed to ask your Worship to reserve Tuesday next, the 26th, this day week, forenoon and afternoon, if possible and the following Friday at the same times.

His Worship:—I can't give you the forenoon of Friday. I can give you the forenoon of Tuesday if that suits Mr. Bruton.

Mr. Bruton:—I am afraid not, your Worship; I shall be engaged elsewhere.

The hearing of the case was accordingly fixed for the afternoon of Tuesday, April 26 at 2.30 p.m., to be continued on Friday afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

COOLIE PREVENTS
SUICIDEOLD WOMAN SAVED IN
NICK OF TIME

The timely appearance of a Public Works Department coolie, Lo San, at a rather deserted spot at Wongneichung Gap yesterday afternoon, was the means of preventing a tragedy in which an old Chinese woman figured.

It would appear from a report issued from Police Headquarters this morning that the woman, whose age was given as 70 years, had gone to the spot yesterday afternoon and there decided to end her life. She had just suspended herself from a tree when the coolie happened to pass and, taking in the situation at a glance, instantly went to the woman's rescue, cutting her down.

The woman was unable to speak, and the case has since been referred to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

This was not actually the agreement referred to in the pleadings, but it all led up to the agreement over which the present action resulted.

Telephonic Arrangement.

On March 2nd, Mr. Pinguet received a firm offer from Chinese dealers to buy the material at \$4.80 per yard. He endeavored to inform Mr. Delcourt straight away, but Mr. Delcourt was out. The following day he phoned Mr. Delcourt and informed him of the offer. Mr. Delcourt told plaintiff to fix that as his basis and said that he would sell at \$4.85 a yard. It was their case that these were the figures agreed upon for 1930.

The next day the conversation was confirmed by Mr. Pinguet by letter, and the plaintiffs were going to rely on that telephonic conversation, and the non-reply by Mr. Delcourt to Mr. Pinguet's letter on March 4, as recognition by Delcourt of the agreement.

Mr. Delcourt never replied to any of the explanations or statements contained in Mr. Pinguet's letter. Mr. Delcourt and told him that he had been informed that the defendant's broker was offering the No. 1 quality suiting at \$4.70 a yard, and, if that were true, it was a breach of good faith and agreement. Mr. Delcourt emphatically denied it, and assured Mr. Pinguet that his broker had the strictest instructions not to sell below \$4.85.

Nevertheless it was soon obvious that something was wrong, for the Chinese dealers, who had given firm offers to Mr. Pinguet at \$4.80 failed to return or sign their contract forms, and it was then discovered by Mr. Pinguet, that somebody—and it was difficult to except the conclusion that Mr. Delcourt knew all about it—had promised the dealers a rebate of 15 cents per yard. It was then discovered that although the defendants' contracts were clean, attached to them were memoranda to the effect that the price of \$4.85 was subject to 15 cents rebate.

The case is proceeding.

DROUGHT IN ENGLAND



Continued dry weather this Spring has caused a scarcity of water in Europe. Our picture shows distribution of water in an English village where only a single well is not drained.

EXCELLENT YEAR
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IN SOUND POSITION

ANNUAL MEETING

Ninety six thousand dollars will be distributed among shareholders of A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., according to the annual report of the general managers presented to the 47th annual ordinary general meeting held in the Hongkong Hotel yesterday morning.

Mr. H. Humphreys presided and others at the directors' table were Messrs J. J. Scott Harston, A. H. White and B. Stewart, with Mr. J. A. Tarrant, Secretary. The shareholders present were Messrs. J. M. Wong, P. C. Potts, A. C. Greaves, Chan Atong, W. S. Bailey, G. E. R. Divett, J. D. Humphreys, D. E. Clark, A. P. Samy, J. Dalziel, Peter Wong, S. E. Edgar.

Chairman's Speech.

Addressing shareholders, the Chairman said:—I will first of all deal with the accounts. Amongst the assets you may notice that "stocks in trade" show an increase of \$124,870, which was virtually inevitable, in view of the very low rate of the dollar during the period under review. Sundry debtors are up \$31,500, due partly to increased business, and partly to the increased dollar value of goods sold at the low rate of exchange prevailing.

Connaught Road Property, Section A Marine Lot 381, having been sold, it no longer appears amongst the assets. There was a profit on the sale of \$31,600, as is shown in Profit and Loss account. Amongst the Liabilities you will notice the Bank overdraft is down \$214,510, though but for the fact that we sold our Connaught Road property, the overdraft would have been much higher.

We are calling up \$300,000, the balance of unissued capital; with reference to which I would remark that it does not take a Napoleon of finance to realise that with the Hongkong dollar round about 1/- it requires more Hongkong dollars to run a business than if the exchange were 1/6 or more, and by way of example in this connection, I would point out that though during the period under review London drafts cost £8,946 less than in previous year, the cost to us in Hongkong dollars was \$189,867 more. The same applies on a smaller scale to U.S.A. drafts.

Directors' Fees.

Your directors' fees have remained at the same figure since 1901, when the business was far smaller than it is to-day. We therefore propose to convene extraordinary General meetings of shareholders to pass resolutions to raise the fees of directors to \$1,500, each per annum.

I trust you will approve of the appropriations to the reserve fund of \$50,000 and exchange fluctuation account \$50,000, also of the appropriation of \$5,000 to the Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund. In view of the uncertainty of silver we think that in a business like ours the exchange fluctuation appropriation is very necessary.

I now beg to propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted and that the allocation of the profits as recommended be passed, namely:—To pay a dividend of 80 cents per share which will absorb \$90,000; Place to reserve fund, \$50,000; Transfer to exchange fluctuation account, \$50,000; Transfer to Chinese staff superannuation fund, \$5,000; Carry forward to next account, \$80,457.79.

Mr. W. S. Bailey seconded the chairman's motion and complimented the general managers on the efficient manner in which the business had been conducted.

The Chairman:—I have to thank you for those remarks, Mr. Bailey, particularly as you are one of the very large shareholders.

The motion was carried unanimously.

EMPIRE PRODUCTS
FAIRAN OPPORTUNITY FOR
LOCAL FIRMS

The plan for an Empire Products Fair in connexion with the local observance of Empire Day is, we hear, being taken up with marked enthusiasm. The event is being held at the Peninsula Hotel on May 22nd and 24th, and already the measure of support promised assures a very fine display of products from various parts of the Colony, from the Mother Country and from the Dominions.

Arrangements are being made whereby individuals and firms may secure space in the Fair for the exhibiting of British goods. No charge is being made for reservations, but any donations towards the fair funds will be welcome. Already there has been a good response in this direction.

Intending exhibitors are invited to apply for reservations to Mr. J. P. Rivers, Chairman of the Fair Sub-Committee, 1st, Chater Road, from whom all particulars in connexion with the project may be obtained.

LORRY AND TRUCK
COLLISIONMANSLAUGHTER CASE
CONTINUED

The manslaughter case, in which Wong Kam-leung, motor lorry driver, is charged with killing Lo Ts'uen in a collision with a hand-truck in Waterloo Road, Kowloon, was continued at the Criminal Sessions this morning, before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) and a jury.

It is alleged by the Crown that accused, driving a Chevrolet lorry, overtook a Ford lorry at a high speed and collided with a hand-truck in doing so, causing the death of Lo Ts'uen, who was holding the truck handles.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell is for the Crown, while Mr. Leo D'Almada, instructed by Mr. F. C. E. Rendall, of Messrs. Russ and Company, is defending.

This morning an interpreter was called, who read out a statement made by accused when charged at the Police Station, which he signed as correct. Accused said, in his statement, that he followed the Ford lorry at the slow speed of about ten miles an hour and as he wanted to go faster he wanted to overtake and sounded his horn. The driver of the Ford lorry, however (Man Fat) "turned his acceleration lever, started his wheel and swung across my lorry. The bumper of Man Fat's lorry struck against my bumper and knocked against mine twice. Then my lorry was upset and struck an electric lamp-post.

"I immediately got off and went to the Police Station to make a report. At the same time Man Fat drove his lorry away at full speed."

Evidence against accused was given by two coolies, both of whom were pulling, with ropes, the truck which deceased was steering when the accident occurred. Both said they were thrown to the ground. One said he was taken to hospital with bruises but was not detained, while the other man stated he was in hospital for nine days. Both stated that the accused's lorry was travelling at a fast rate.

The driver of the Ford, the overtaken lorry, said his speed all the way from Kowloon City to the place where the accident occurred averaged between 12 and 13 miles an hour. After turning into Waterloo Road he heard the noise of an engine behind him and on looking in his mirror saw another vehicle overtaking him.

Witness explained that he was then close to his left-hand side and waved the other lorry on. It overtook him at a speed of between 40 and 50 miles an hour, "with the engine roaring" after which the accident happened.

The case is proceeding.

Marsland Man, of the Sincere Co., was fined \$10 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy to-day for disobeying a traffic signal on April 8 when he drove his motor-cycle against the red light on the Praya outside the Star Ferry Wharf.

Thought to have fallen from a tram in attempting to alight whilst it was in motion, a Chinese who was found by Sergeant Williams lying unconscious outside Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd., at 8.30 p.m. this morning, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

Other Business.

The Chairman moved the re-election of the following directors—Mr. J. Scott Harston, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Mr. A. H. White and Mr. A. B. Stewart.

Mr. J. M. Wong seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. P. C. Potts, seconded by Mr. D. E. Clark Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and S. T. Bullin were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$1,250.

RADIO
BROADCASTRELAY FROM KO SHUNG
THEATRE.

Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s). 6.00-8.00 p.m. European Programme of Victor Records.

6.00-6.15 p.m. Operatic.

Trovatore-Selection (Vardi).

Creator's Band. 35778.

Pagliacci-Selection (Leoncavallo).

Creator's Band. 35701.

6.18-6.50 p.m. A Concert.

Piano Solo-Prélude in D Flat (Chopin).

Ignace Jan Padewski. 6847.

Song-Swiss Echo Song (Eckert).

Marion Talley (Soprano). 6593.

Violin Solo-Oriental Romance (Rimsky-Korsakov).

Fritz Kreisler. 1200.

Song-The Auld Scotch Sang (Bethune-Leeson).

John McCormack (Tenor). 1305.

Piano Solo-Improvisation in A Flat (Schubert).

Piano Solo-Étude in E Major (Chopin).

Ignace Jan Padewski. 6828.

Song-Comin' Thro' the Rye (Old Scotch Air).

Marion Talley (Soprano). 1140.

Violin Solo-Rose in the Bud (Forster).

Renee Chemet. 1132.

Song-The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade).

John McCormack (Tenor). 1303.

6.50-7.25 p.m. Variety.

7.00 p.m. (Stock Quotations, Mail Notice, etc.).

Songs of Our Native Birds.

Charles Kellogg (The Nature Singer). 35785.

Organ Solo-Call Me Darling.

Jesse Crawford. 22901.

Humorous Monologue-The Trick Boys.

Marshall Cole. 22305.

Song-Gambling Polka Dot Blues.

Jimmie Rodgers. 23036.

Orchestral-My Sunshine is You.

Orchestral-Goodnight, Sweetheart.

Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. 36048.

Organ Solo-Rhapsody in Blue.

Jesse Crawford. 22343.

7.25-8.00 p.m. Orchestral.

Henry VIII (Saint Saens).

(a) Introduction and Entrance of the Clans.

(b) Scotch Idyl.

(c) Dance of The Gypsy.

(d) Jig and Fiddle.

Played by Darrach and the National Symphony Orchestra. 7292-3.

Salome's Dance (Richard Strauss).

Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 7259-7260.

Japanese Nocturne (Eichheim).

Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 7260.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-11.30 p.m. Relay from the Ko Shing Theatre.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

11.30 p.m. Close Down.

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PROVISION.

London, Apr. 18.

When the Minister for Education, Sir Donald Maclean, presented his department estimates in the House of Commons to-day, he said they provided for an Exchequer expenditure of £42,892,676, which shows an economy of £5,500,000 on last year. In 1906 the estimates were about £12,500,000.

With sums raised from the rates by local Education Authorities, there is about £100,000,000 for educational purposes in Great Britain—more than half the total national expenditure for the year before the war.

He doubted whether there was any country in Europe to-day whose Budget contained so generous a provision for education.

Regarding recent economies, Sir Donald Maclean said there had been reductions under every head except teachers' pensions and scholarships to students.—British Wireless.

PHILADELPHIA
DEBACLERUN RIOTS IN THE
"AMERICAN"

New York, Apr. 18.

Chicago assumed leadership of the National League and Washington of the American League as a result of to-day's baseball games, which resulted as follows:

National League.

New York 1 Boston 7

Brooklyn 8 Philadelphia 0

Cincinnati 5 Pittsburgh 0

St. Louis 1 Chicago 3

American League.

Philadelphia 7 Washington 15

Chicago 1 Cleveland 2

Detroit 14 St. Louis 7

—Router.

Mr. C. Funk, of Messrs. Jensen & Co., was fined \$5 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning for causing an obstruction at Stables Road on April 7 by leaving his car outside the Peak coolies' shelter.

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STILL CHAMPIONS

RUMJAHNS RETAIN TENNIS TITLE

DULL MATCH GOES TO FIVE SETS

Fincher and Goldman yesterday went much nearer to achieving the impossible by defeating the Rumjahn cousins in the final of the open doubles tennis championship than was ever anticipated, and could they have displayed a solid front to their opponents when leading by two sets to one, might well have now been the new champions.

As it was, Goldman cracked under the strain, and the Rumjahns swept majestically through the remaining two sets to snatch a great victory, and win the title for the eighth year in succession. The exchanges were, at times, extremely dull, and not at all reflective of the best talent in Hongkong. All four players erred, and it was therefore additionally bad luck for Fincher that he should lose his second final, in view of the fact that he was the best player on the court. He covered himself with glory by splendid defensive work. Goldman accomplished one or two outstanding things, but his general play lacked stability, and if the cousins had concentrated on him, they would have won far easier. H. D. Rumjahn was the stender of the cousins, but he was far from blameless and seemed upset to discover that the advantage gained by the winning of the first set was nullified by the conceding of the next two. "Sirdar" took a long time to settle down and never really touched his proper form.

The fact that the issue was taken to five sets kept the match interesting, but the play never reached great heights, and was an unhappy criterion of local tennis standard.

The cousins won the first set at 6-4, breaking through Goldman's service in the seventh game to assume the lead, but the challengers, asserting themselves, earned the second set amid great applause, and getting the cousins thoroughly rattled, went on to claim the third at 6-1. Mistakes by Goldman in the fourth game of the fourth set, when he and Fincher had a great chance of levelling the scores to 2-1, cost the losers the most important game of the match, and thereafter they were never a serious proposition, the cousins running away with this and the fifth set with the score of 6-1 in each case.

The prizes for the tournament were subsequently presented to the successful contestants by Miss Hancock.

UNIVERSITY TENNIS

MEDICAL FACULTY DEFEATS ARTS.

The Medical and Arts faculties of the Hongkong University met in a doubles tennis tournament yesterday on the University Pavilion ground, the former winning seven sets to two.

Results (Medical names first):—
F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman 7-5; beat W. K. Chen and P. T. Kho 6-1; lost to Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson (Capt.), 6-7.

G. E. Yeeh and Y. K. Ng (Capt.) beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman 7-5; beat W. K. Chen and P. T. Kho 6-2; lost to F. Y. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson, 6-7.

Prof. L. T. Ride and H. N. Lee beat C. E. R. Clarabut and F. Zimmerman 6-2; beat W. K. Chen and P. T. Kho 6-1; beat Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson, 6-3.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

TEAM LEAVING ON PRESIDENT JEFFERSON

The team of Hongkong cricketers who are to make the trip up to Shanghai in May for the Spring Interport will be sailing on the President Jefferson, which leaves on May 14, reaching Shanghai on May 15. They will be returning on the Empress of Canada which leaves Shanghai of May 27.

The Interport practice nets will be opened on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Thursday and onwards. There will be a trial match on Saturday, April 23, commencing at 2 p.m. sharp.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Friday.	Yesterday.		
Paris	95 1/2	95 15/16	Brussels	26.00
Geneva	17.00/32	10 1/4	Milan	73 1/2
Berlin	15.81/32	20.5/16	Stockholm	20 1/2
Oslo	18.11/16	20.5/16	Copenhagen	18.5/16
Helsingfors	215	216	Prague	127
Athens	300	300	Lisbon	100 1/2
Buenos Aires	30.5/16	80 1/2	Rio	4 1/2
Shanghai	1/8	1/7.15/16	Bombay	1/8.1/32
New York	3.77	3.75 1/2	Yokohama	1/9.3/16
Amsterdam	0.30 1/2	9.95 1/2	Montevideo	29
Vienna	32	32	Montreal	4.10
Madrid	40 1/4	48 1/2	Silver (spot)	10.11/16
Bucharest	630	630	" (forward)	16 1/2
Hongkong	1/2 1/2	1/8.1/16		

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1550 sa.
Chartered Bank, \$11 1/4 n.
Mercantile Bank, \$18 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$470 sa.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1.195 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$26 b.
H. K. Steamships, \$23 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Prof.), \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19 1/2 n.

Mining.

Benguets, \$14 1/2 b.
Inlana, 21/9 n.
Shui Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Rauks, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$143 1/2 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$21 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$4.80 n.
Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 6 1/4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 1/2 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.25 sa.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 10 n.
Landa, Hotels, etc.
H.K. Hotels, \$13.40 n. Cum Rta.
H. K. Hotels Rights, \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$77 1/2 n.
Metro Lands \$10 n.
Shai Lands, Tls. 25 n.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Realities, \$11.60 n.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$30n.
Chinese Estates \$95 1/4 b.
Benguet Exp. 29 cts. b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$21.75 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.50 n.
Star Ferries, \$90 1/2 n.
China Lights, \$20 1/2 n.
H. K. Electric, \$74 sa.
Macao Electric, \$24 1/2 b.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.

Industrials.

Malabons, \$21 n.
Canton Ice, \$5.05 n.
Cements (com.), \$18.25 b.
Ropes, \$14 1/2 sa.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$18.25 n.
Watsons, \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, \$3 1/2 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$5.60 b.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16 1/2 b.
Powells, \$3.65 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$22 1/2 b.
Entertainments (old) \$14.90 n.
Constructions (old), \$5.60 s.
Constructions (new), \$1.80 b.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 a.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58 n.
Loans, \$33 1/4 b. Prem.

COMMERCIAL PRESS'S REHABILITATION.

RUMOURS OF ITS REMOVAL TO HONGKONG

Rumours are current that the management of the Commercial Press in Shanghai contemplates removing its printing press departments from Shanghai to Hongkong and that twenty-five presses have been ordered by this famous Chinese concern from England for delivery at Hongkong.

The above rumours were neither denied nor confirmed by the local management of the Commercial Press when interviewed by a representative of the press yesterday afternoon. However, they expressed the opinion that the question of rehabilitation of the Commercial Press would be decided at the coming meeting of directors in Shanghai, who had no definite project in mind at present, in view of the uncertain conditions in North China, and as no one was able to predict the outcome of the Sino-Japanese actions.

It is interesting to note that while the Commercial Press has branches in all the leading cities in China, Peking and Hongkong are the only other places where the Company has its own printing shops. The main printing establishment of the Commercial Press was unfortunately entirely destroyed when Chapel was burned in the Sino-Japanese clash.

ANZAC DAY

CELEBRATION ON MONDAY BY AUSTRALIANS

Arrangements in connexion with the local celebration by Australian and New Zealand residents of Anzac Day, which falls on Monday next, have been completed, and the Committee promise a great celebration for the day.

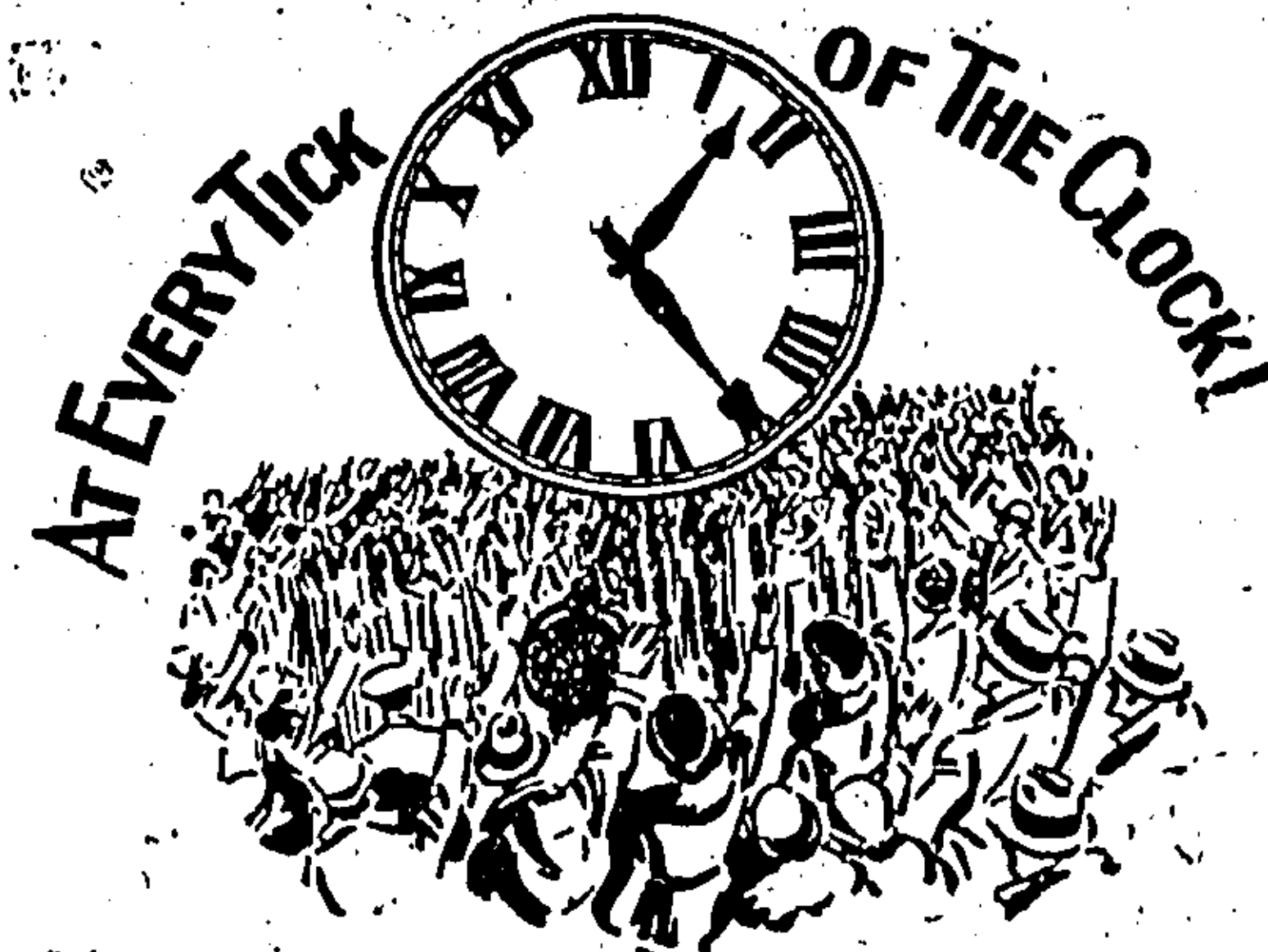
All interested will meet outside the Law Courts on Monday morning at 10.45 a.m. and at 10.55 a.m. a wreath will be placed on the Cenotaph by three returned "Diggers", whose names will be announced later.

In the evening, Australians and New Zealanders will gather at a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, where the brave exploits of the Anzacs will be honoured. Two toasts will be given, and at the conclusion of the dinner a musical programme, consisting entirely of national "Down Under" airs, has been arranged. As far as possible the menu will consist of products from the two Dominions.

Similar arrangements have been made in Shanghai by the Australians resident there, and felicitations will be exchanged between the two bodies. The Hongkong arrangements are in the hands of a strong Committee, the Secretary of which is Mr. John T. Cook, care of Gilman and Co.

"Anzac" stands for "The Australian and New Zealand Auxiliary Corps." This word-name was coined in Egypt as the title for the expeditionary force at the time of its formation in 1914. On April 25 of the following year, the force landed at Gallipoli, and this day has since been commemorated as the "Anzac Day." In Australia and New Zealand the morning of Anzac Day is given over to solemnity, in honour of those who fell at the landing at Gallipoli, while the afternoon is regarded as a time for reunion on the anniversary of the first real test of Australian and New Zealand manhood, which acquitted itself with honour.

The committee in Hongkong issue a cordial invitation to the general public and members of the services to attend the wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph. A special invitation is issued to ex-service men and members of the military forces who participated in the landing at Suva Bay, Cape Helles or Anzac Beach when the Gallipoli campaign was commenced.



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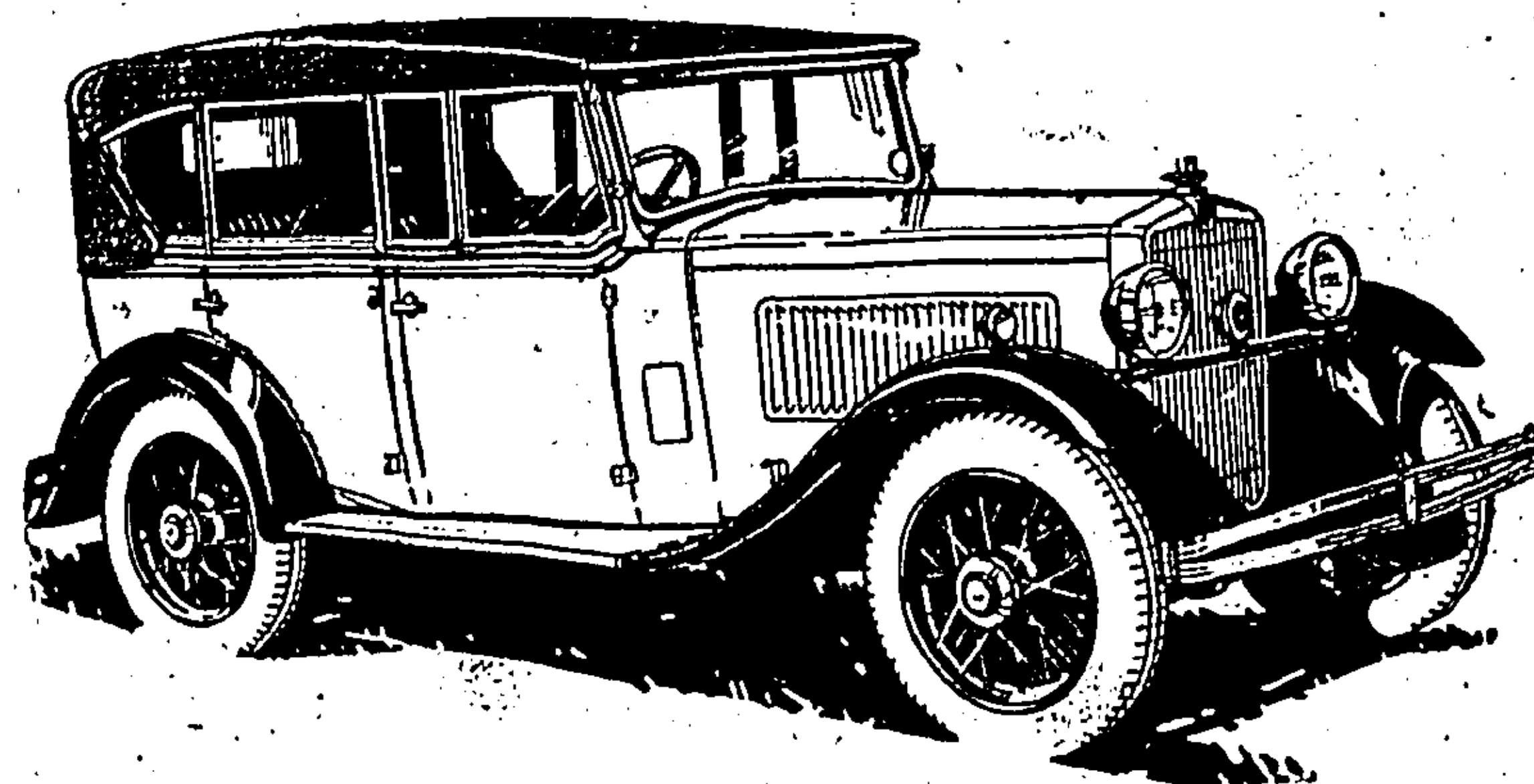
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THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET ISSUED.

A sound financial position is disclosed in the annual report and balance sheet of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, which is conducted under the auspices of the Wesleyan-Methodist Missionary Trust Association.

In a preamble it is stated that the report is issued "in the hope that it may be the means of soliciting further financial support to enable the committee to proceed unhindered with a work of such tremendous importance."

The report attributes much of the early success of the Home to the untiring efforts of the late President and chaplain, the Rev. J. C. Knight Anstey. Credit is also given to Mr. Anstey's successor, the Rev. Errie C. H. Tribbeck, "for the enthusiastic and optimistic manner in which he has taken over the leadership of the institution."

The work of the committee is also referred to in eulogistic terms.

During the cooler months of the year and with the return of the naval ships from their northern cruise, the committee prepared an interesting and varied programme of activities. An entertainment committee was formed under the chairmanship of Commander E. D. Brooke, R.N. and with various sub-committees allocated to deal with socials, lectures and debates, a very successful season has been enjoyed.

Sports and Social Work.

After reviewing the various sporting activities of the Home, the report states that the library has been recently recatalogued and reconditioned and now comprises nearly 1,000 books.

The Sunday evening Service Men's Hour, which continues throughout the year, has shown new signs of life. An average of 50 attend this hour of social fellowship.

Referring to the financial statement, the report says "The Sino-Japanese unrest, which has necessitated the withdrawal of many of the naval ships and military personnel from the Colony, has seriously affected the revenue of the Home during the year, but in spite of this and the fact of the continued depression in the value of dollar, it will be seen that the Home has weathered the financial storm fairly successfully."

"Servicemen numbering 36,695 have slept in the Home during the past year as against 30,033 for the year 1930. This figure shows an increase of 6,932 over 1930, and 12,060 over 1929. Our 'shakedown' have revealed remarkable figures: they disclose the startling fact that no less than 9,505 men occupied this form of accommodation during the year under consideration. This is an increase of 1,362 over 1930 and 7,693 over 1929. In addition we have had to turn away an average of more than 50 men per night during our busy period. "The committee of the Home are fully alive to the need for the provision of sleeping accommodation sufficient to meet whatever demands are made by the men it is proud to serve, but it is left to the financial support of those into whose hands this report may fall as to whether the scheme for an enlargement of these present premises shall become a reality, and place us in a position to meet this very urgent need, justified by the continued patronage of our service men."

"Our profit and loss account has had to face heavier financial calls than during the previous year, no-

RANSOM RAISED.

KIDNAPPERS OF BABY INCREASE DEMAND.

New York, Apr. 18. The kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby have increased the price of ransom to \$500,000 and the police and Federal agents are combing the Boston and Cape Cod areas on land and sea and in the air.

It is also reported that when Colonel Lindbergh flew over Martha's Vineyard he was accompanied by the Chief of the Revenue Intelligence Service.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[It will be recalled that the kidnapers' failure to keep the bargain was attributed to Police interference.]

Substantial Donations. "Our donations amounting to \$2,407.88 represents largely a grant of \$50 from the Admiralty and a generous donation of \$450.00 from the Whampoa Bethel Fund. Further, at the beginning of the present football season, a Charity Football Match was arranged between a combined Services Team and the South China Athletic Association. The Home received \$874.80.

"It is obvious, too," continues the report "that many of the local Chinese citizens realise that the presence of naval ships and military units in Hongkong is as much in their interests as those of the countries from whence the defence force are drawn. This is evidenced by the Chinese friends who have, from time to time, expressed their interest in our endeavours, with generous donations."

"This report would be incomplete without due mention of the following gentlemen, whose names we are glad to include in our list of donors. Mr. R. H. Kotowall, and Messrs. Fung Wei-shing, Ma Ying-piu, Ho Kum-tong, Chan Lim-pak, Kwok Siu-lau, Wong Kwok-shuen, Ng Sze-kwong, Mok Kon-sang, and Cheung Kat-shing. It is felt that there are many others who will gladly subscribe towards our aims and objects when they are conversant with the urgency of our need."

"After she had eaten a solitary dinner she felt considerably better. A girl of 20 finds it hard to maintain a mood of black depression. But when she reached Dreamland for the beginning of her second evening there she felt the black mood returning. How could she bear to dance again in the arms of another man where she had danced and laughed with Larry? (To be Continued.)

THE DIME-A-DANCE GIRL.

(Continued from Page 5.)

went, if she were very cold, it would be all right. Surely just to sit chatting with him for a short while would be all right. Perhaps he meant to tell that the engagement was broken.

Someone tapped her on the shoulder. "Listen," blazed a voice in the darkness. "Don't wiggle so, lady. I can't see the picture for your head."

Ellen sat rigid. Four twenty-five now. Perhaps he had gone. Should she saunter through the lobby to see?

The picture moved on toward a tragic denouement. Sniffles rose from the audience; a few men coughed explosively. Pale blurs of handkerchiefs showed in the grey darkness. Ellen was dry-eyed, frantic with restlessness and indecision.

At 10 minutes to 5 she surrendered. At 10 minutes to 5 a small section of the matinee audience was treated to the spectacle of a young girl who jumped hastily from her seat and ran up the long shadowy aisle toward the street.

Ellen entered the lobby of the hotel Vandervent at 5 o'clock. Her breath was coming quickly; her cheeks were crimson banners. She hesitated before she plunged into Peacock Alley. It was not too late yet to retreat with her pride. But her pride was gone and she knew it.

Larry was not there. By the time she had made one hurried passage through the brilliant, mirrored alley she had assured herself of that. She assured herself of something else as well. She was glad, glad, glad! Glad that kind fate had taken him off before her folly had come to its consummation.

She had lived through the longest afternoon of her life she thought—but she still lived. She was still young. And she had her pride again, a little battered perhaps, but substantially intact. Larry would never know that she had come to meet him.

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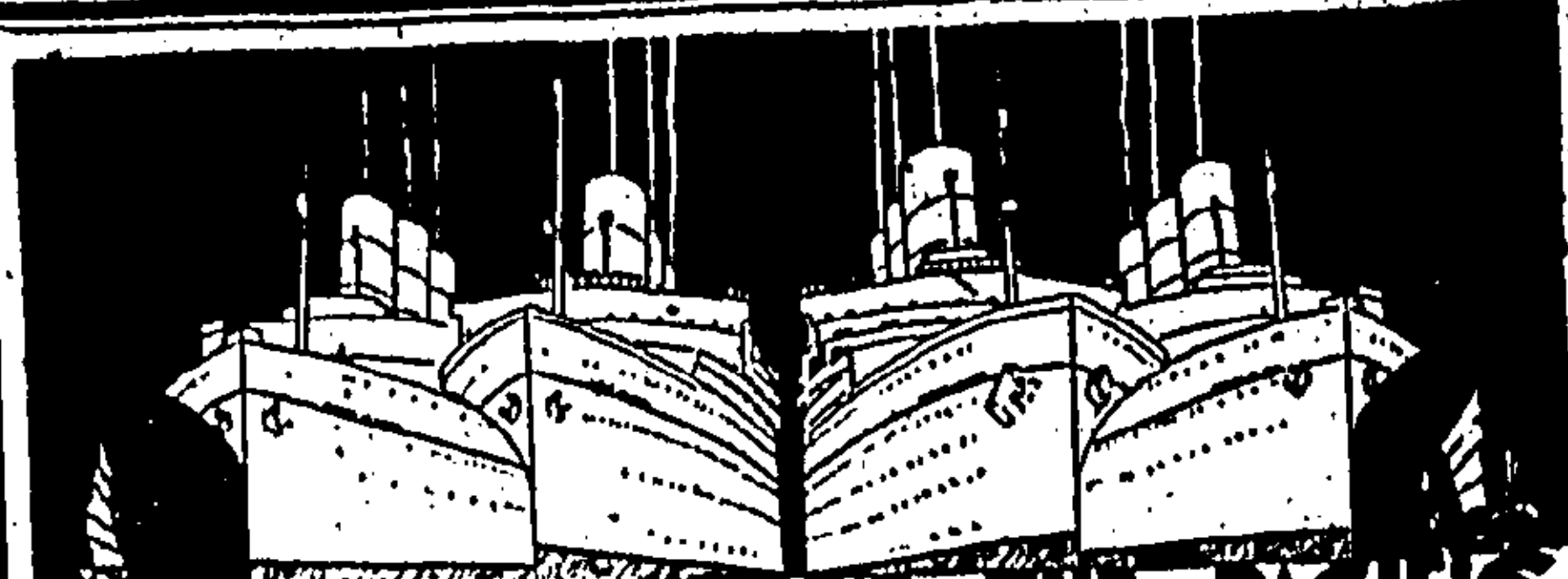


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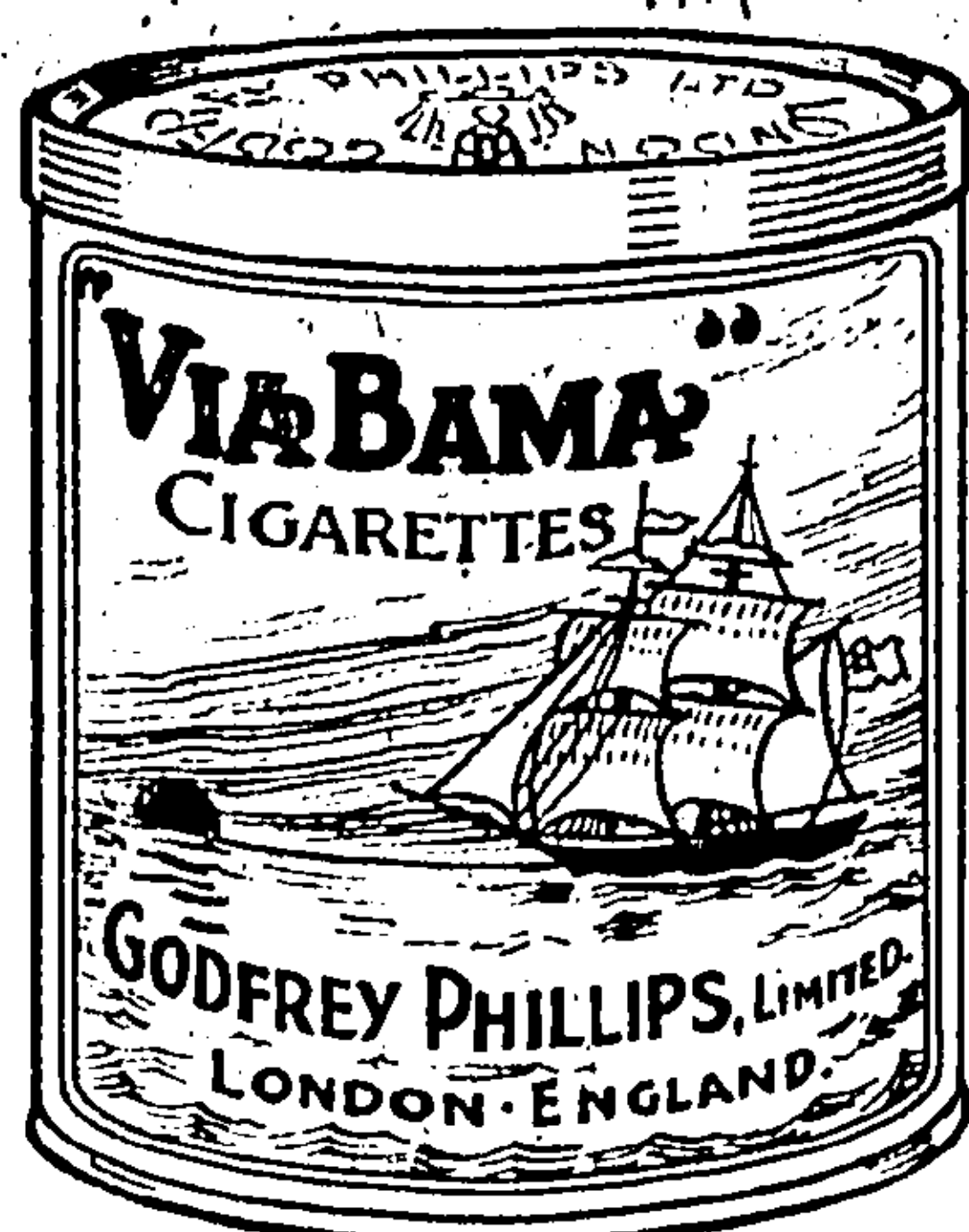
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THE MONTESSORI SYSTEM

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her College was "a plant, not of intellectual gymnastics, but of enlightened, useful women." Or we might retrace the uphill fight of Margaret McMillan for all the ideals embodied in the nursery school movement. If we did this, we should find many women opening many class-room windows for the sunshine of happiness to stream into them and the light of common sense to brighten them. Not least amongst them is the Lady Doctor, Maria Montessori.

Debt to Seguin.
One can hardly say that she is a pioneer in educational theories. She goes out of her way to acknowledge her debt to Seguin. She does not know how deeply indebted Seguin was to Pereira (1715-1780), in spite of Seguin's writings. Pereira's work was devoted to deaf-mutes, who were sadly neglected. The Latin poet Lucretius had written of them:

"To instruct the deaf no art could ever reach,
No care improve them, and no wisdom teach."

St. Augustine did not seem to be more optimistic. But Pedro Ponce de Leon, a Spanish monk in the monastery of Ona, wrote in 1578: "I have had for my pupils sons of great lords and notable people who were deaf and dumb from birth. I have taught them to speak, read, write and reckon. They calculated, prayed aloud, served Mass, knew Greek, Latin, Italian, and understood natural philosophy and astrology." It is probable that Pereira, who had lived in Spain, knew something of the work of this monk.

Seguin's special contribution was his discovery of the all important function of the sense of touch. Through Seguin Dr. Montessori learnt the possibilities of this sense, and we know the part assigned to it in the use of her apparatus by children. The sense education of the Savage of Aveyron by Itard and the principles involved deeply influenced Seguin who studied under Itard; and so they reached Dr. Montessori.

We remember that she commenced her work with feeble-minded children. Seguin had devoted his life to them. But she soon convinced herself that "the child who has not the force to develop, and the child who has not yet developed are in some ways alike." And so that the elementary methods of instruction of both groups should be similar. Here we have the starting point of her whole system.

When one comes to ask what precisely the system is, the natural answer would be read her own book *The Montessori Method*. However, we are immediately confronted with the strange anomaly that, when we begin to talk with others who have read it, their interpretation appears to be different from ours. Turning to one or two written accounts we find in Monroe's *Encyclopedia of Education*, that the essentials are 1. Sense Training; 2. Great Stress on Freedom. To Sir John Adams the system appeals especially as sounding the knell of class-teaching; while Pitman finds 4 chief points: Greater freedom in the child's choice of occupation; opportunity of self-education; fuller training of the senses; more natural groupings of children. Yet another says: "the biological principle of liberty is for Dr. Montessori the fundamental principle of education."

We think that Dr. Montessori herself is to blame—if blame be the word—for the uncertainty. If a

woman opens the windows it is not, as a rule, to let in the spirit of logic but the glow of sentiment; and sentiment can pronounce both strawberries and a musical sonata to be "awfully nice" without giving pride of place to either. It seems to me that a reading of Dr. Montessori, as well as some of the works about her, makes it clear that she rings the changes, now on one, now on another of the following five points:

1. Due importance attached to sense education;
2. "Spontaneous Development"—and this seems to be the kernel of her system;
3. Individual Characteristics studied;
4. Perfect liberty; (not whim);
5. Environment.

Developing the Senses.
It can be easily seen that if spontaneous development be the centre of the system, early education must concentrate a good deal on the senses, for the sense life is the first to manifest itself in the child and, even as the reasoning power grows, the senses must supply the material for thought. If the development is spontaneous, it must clearly be the outcome of individual characteristics which cannot unfold themselves under the undue restraint either of the teacher or of the environment.

The lecturer dwelt for some time on the unity of these ideas in practice, and continued:

I do not intend to say anything about the apparatus. No doubt the apparatus is the first thing that strikes the visitor to a Montessori school. Some of it is original, much of it is a woman's practical realisation of the theories of Seguin and Itard, or a modification of Froebel's "gifts." Dr. Montessori, herself, does stress the importance of her apparatus, but we feel sure that future historians of educational development will describe Dr. Montessori, not as a classroom Santa Claus opening windows to hand in pedagogical toys, but as a woman with the instinct of a motherly heart understanding child life and child needs, and with the sympathy born of this instinct devising practical ways and means to fill them.

You, students of education, can easily put your finger on flaws in her enunciated theory. Though she was a doctor you may discover that some of her biological concepts are deficient—I believe that our would-be medics sometimes find biology difficult, you might point out her failure to link adequately organism, function and environment. You might especially call attention to her neglect of the enormous importance of the nervous system in our reactions to educational experiments. You would stress the fact that it is the nervous system which links the highly specialised organs and various organic elements and binds them together in the mysterious physical unity of the human body.

When you do begin to apply logic to her written works you find that there are many wants and many inaccuracies. It is well that you, future teachers, should do this. But it is still more important that your scholastic efforts do not carry you away from the world of facts—oh, I do not mean the examination world of facts—for if the world of men were ruled by logic the Peace Conferences of Geneva would either have been unnecessary or would have long ago attained their ends. Still less is the playful world of children ruled by logic.

Hence I think that when Dr. Montessori opened her class-room windows it was above all to let out the stern air of logic and to fill the room with a more congenial atmosphere of spontaneity, created by a sympathetic understanding of

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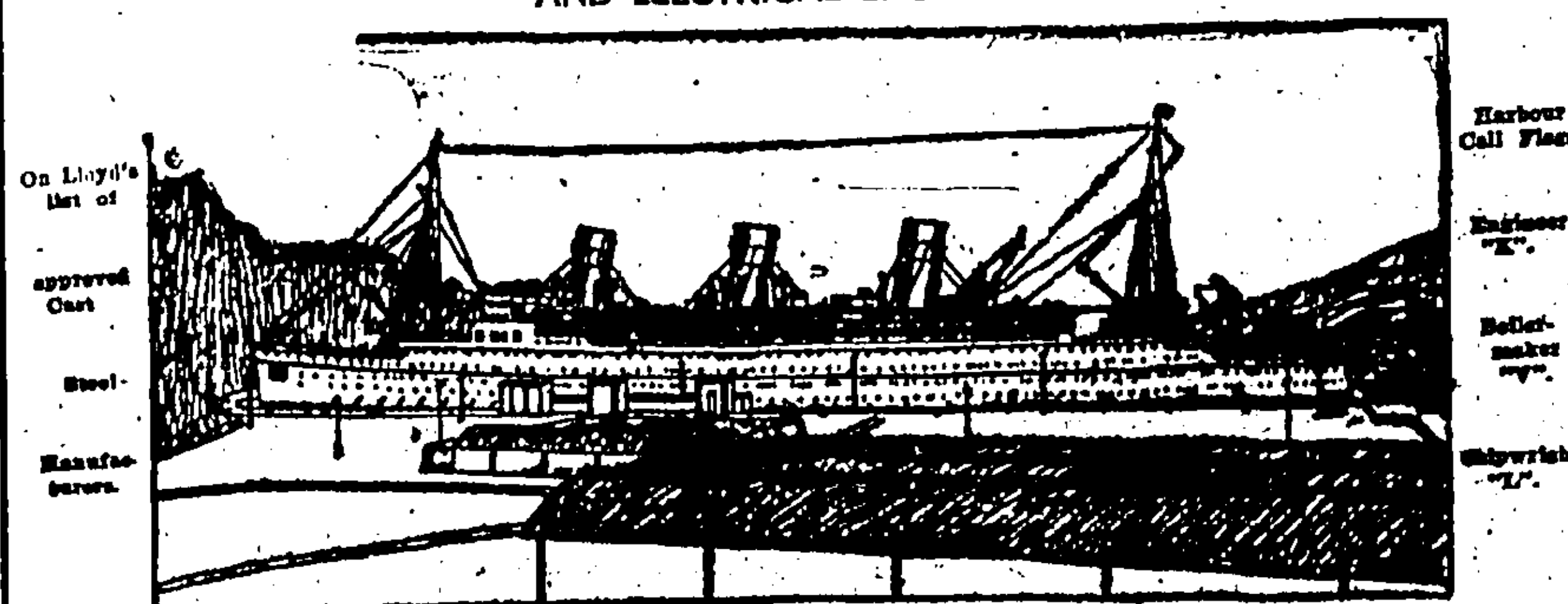
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TROOPS OUT AT PESHAWAR

London, Apr. 18.

In a statement circulated in the House of Commons, reviewing the events of last week in India, Sir Samuel Hoare referred to a resurgence of Red Shirt activities in a part of the Peshawar District, north of the Kabul River, where large crowds made efforts, with considerable success, to interfere with the elections.

The Police had to be reinforced by troops to disperse stone-throwing crowds armed with lathis.

In one instance, the Police were compelled to fire and here the casualties were twelve police injured, two seriously, and one rioter killed. After the poll, the situation quieted.

Despite the special efforts of the National Congress Party to rouse public interest in "National Week", the results were singularly small. A renewal of disturbances occurred in Allahabad, where owing to continued brick and stone throwing, thirty rounds were discharged, two rioters being killed and twenty injured. The situation was controlled within two or three days.

Activity also occurred at Cawnpore but improved quickly when the Police were reinforced, and in Bombay National Week proved almost a complete failure. Elsewhere throughout India, the effects of National Week were negligible and in several provinces, concludes the statement report, it passed almost unnoticed.

—British Wireless.

NO MORATORIUM EXTENSION

ELECTION TOO NEAR FOR HOOVER

Washington, Apr. 18.

Government circles indicate that they do not expect President Hoover to initiate another moratorium when the present period of grace expires on June 30.

The statement follows the outcry of the anti-debt revisionists and may be designed to avert further attacks until the public reaction to the recent suggestions of Mr. Al Smith and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, the latter having always been a strong advocate of cancellation.—Reuter.

LAUNCHES' SAFETY VALVES

HEAVY FINES FOR INTERFERENCE

The case in which Ho Lan, the coxswain, and Chan Kan, the engineer, of the steam launch Fook Wo, were charged with having on April 2 interfered with or caused the safety valve to be under control of the engineer by removing the padlocks fitted by the Government Marine Surveyor, came up again before the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court, this morning.

At the last hearing, Mr. F. H. Loseby, for the defence, contended that the launch was one which ran outside territorial waters, and often visited Canton. If any trouble arose at Canton with the safety valves, his clients, on their arrival in Hongkong, could not be held responsible for the valves having been touched in Canton.

Comdr. Hole, this morning said it seemed to him that the prosecution had clearly proved that the padlocks had been interfered with. If Mr. Loseby could prove that his clients had no opportunity to report, before they were arrested in Hongkong, that the valves had been touched in Canton, then he would hold that it was a technical offence.

The engineer testified that while in Canton a seaman when clearing the deck had broken the pin on the starboard side.

Comdr. Hole administered a caution to both defendants, remarking that it was a technical offence.

Leung Lau-man, coxswain of the steam launch Wah Hing, was charged with a similar offence.

Sergeant MacNamara, for the prosecution, said that on April 3 at 3 p.m. he boarded the Wah Hing at Belchers Bay. He found the safety valves covered with a piece of canvas. He found the locks in place, but open. He went into the engine room and saw the steam gauge registering 140 lbs. He asked the coxswain and the engineer, Tao Po, for the surveyor's chart, but they refused to let him have it. He took them to Blake Pier, and reported to the Government Marine Surveyor.

Mr. S. Ashworth, Assistant Marine Surveyor, giving evidence, stated that he connected a standard pressure gauge to the main steam gauge of the launch, and found that the pressure was 135 lbs. The stipulated pressure was 130 lbs. The safety valves were just being lifted up.

In answer to the charge, defendant said he knew nothing about safety valves. The trouble was due to rust.

Comdr. Hole remarked that as a coxswain he should know something about the safety valves. It was a very serious offence and

PROTESTS IGNORED

GERMAN SEIZURE OF BRITISH FUNDS

London, Apr. 18.

Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether arrangements had been made for the restoration to British owners of the remittances belonging to them, recently detained in German banks while in transit from Budapest to London, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Captain Edon, stated that the Foreign Secretary was clear that the British bondholders have a very strong claim to the release of those funds.

The British Ambassador in Berlin has again been instructed to press this viewpoint strongly on the German Government.

The German Government has taken no step to prevent the detention by the Dresdner Bank, Berlin, of the remittance, which was made by the City of Budapest and which was in transit to England for the service of the City of Budapest's obligations to British subjects.—British Wireless.

NEW INDIAN GOVERNOR

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London, Apr. 18.

The Viceroy of India, Lord Willingdon, who flew to Peshawar from Delhi last week, to-day formally installed Sir Ralph Griffiths as first Governor of the North West Frontier Province.

A talking film was taken of the ceremony.—British Wireless.

endangered the lives of the launch crew. In view of the fact that defendant had no previous convictions against him, he was going to impose a light penalty. He would be fined \$250 or in default three months' imprisonment.

The engineer, Tao Po, was also charged with having placed five pounds greater pressure than the conditions of the licence of the launch permitted.

The same evidence was heard, and the defendant in answer said he did not meddle with the valves. He did not know who had touched them.

Remarking that it was not worth while "monkeying about" with the valves of the launch while at sea and endangering the lives of the crew, Comdr. Hole imposed a fine of \$250 or three months' imprisonment.

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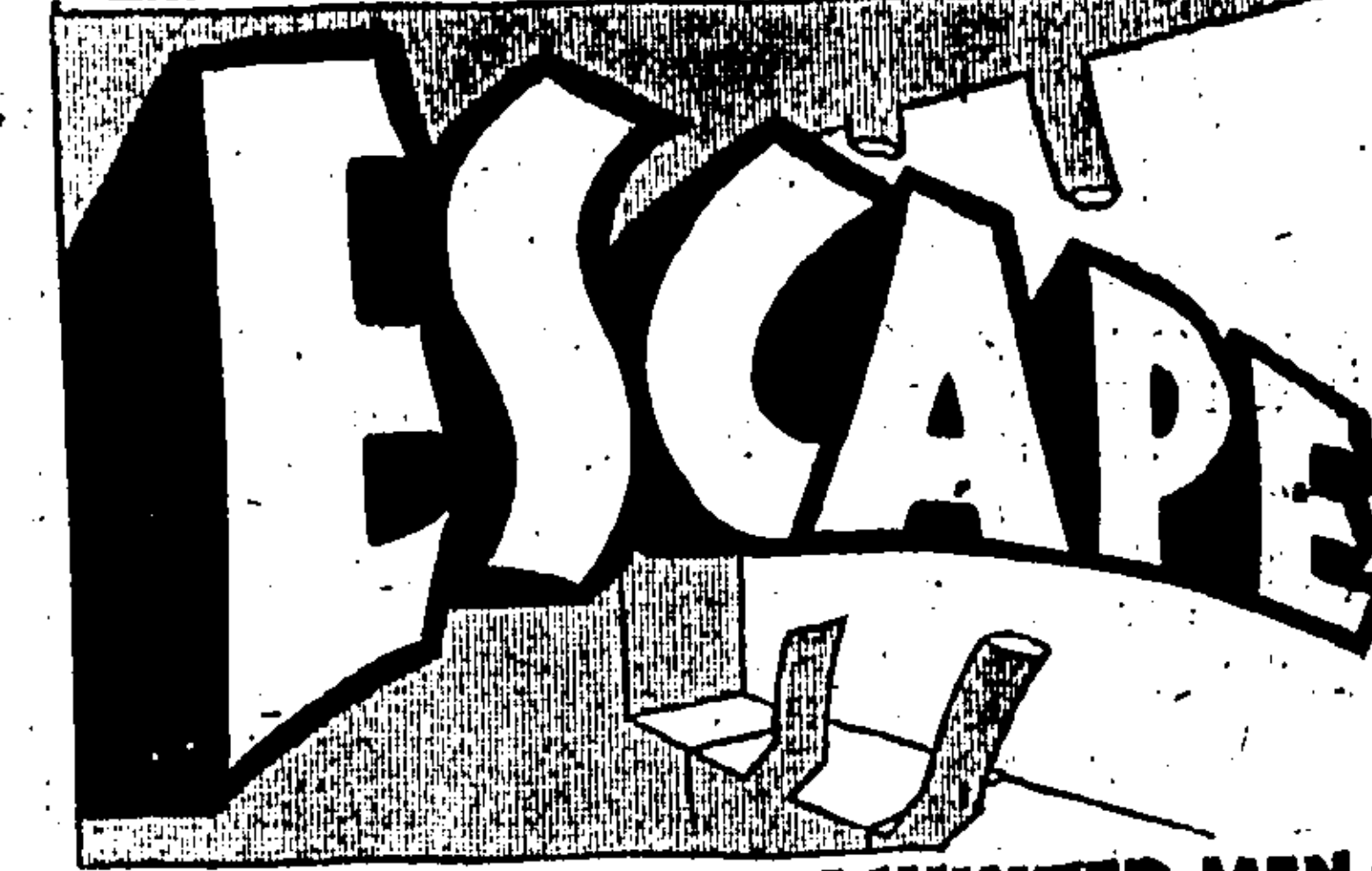
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A Traffic Sergeant at whose instance the case was brought, stated that Mr. Holmes' speed was between 34 and 38 miles an hour during the period that he had him under observation. Against this estimate he had to allow for being two miles out on his speedometer.

Mr. Holmes pointed out that although there was a sign at the turning into Watson Road, it was not distinct, being placed on the left side of the road and naturally not to be observed by the motorist who would have to look to his right for approaching vehicles in rounding the bend. He also asked if it were not a fact that although ten miles was the limit in the district, vehicles had been allowed to go at double that rate. Inspector Saunders agreed, but pointed out that the mere fact that it had been found necessary to have a danger signal at that spot should be a clear injunction to motorists to proceed carefully when entering the district.

His Worship considered that a fine of \$15 would meet the case.

REGULATING PIG IMPORTS

COMMISSION TO BE SET UP

London, Apr. 18.

The Minister of Agriculture, Sir John Gilmour, announced in the House of Commons to-day that two reorganisation commissions are to be set up for the agricultural industry—one for milk and milk products, and the other for pigs and pig products.

Sir Edward Grigg will preside over the first and Colonel Lane Fox over the second, which, *inter alia*, will consider the quantitative regulation of imports of pigs and bacon.—British Wireless.

Five shopkeepers were charged before the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, with having boarded the s.s. Tjillboat without permission. Evidence was given by the Chief Officer, who said that two passengers had complained to him that the defendants were stealing their luggage. The defendants were each fined \$10 or one week's imprisonment.

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"I MUST CONFESS"

"THE MAN I KILLED"

"I know his name! I know where he lived! I know his parents. They are now my friends. If I tell them I am the man who killed their son... But I must tell them, before God, I must... I MUST!!"

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A Paramount Picture

A HOLY TERROR

GEORGE O'BRIEN
SALLY EILERS

FOX PICTURE

AND

THE WONDER SHOW
DIRECT FROM AMERICA
3 BIG ACTS
INCLUDING
Beautiful Marjorie Lou in
DEATH ON THE GUILLOTINE

Lionel BARRYMORE

Nancy CARROLL

Phillips HOLMES

The Whole World Knows

MENTHOLATUM

instantly clears the head
and stops a cold